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Changes In The Cabinet

All Sorts of Rumors at Ottawa Regarding Cabinet Reconstructions.

Cartwright and Scott are to Go After The Present Session.

Parliamentary Press Dinner Was Last Evening a Great Success.

Ottawa, Ont., April 16.—All sorts of rumors are flying about regarding cabinet changes. Hon. Mr. Sutherland, of the public works department will quit immediately. His health is poor and he is disgruntled over the limitation of his administrative powers by reason of Minister Prefontaine grabbing half his department. Mr. Hyman will succeed him.

Montreal Witness, a Liberal paper, says tonight: Messrs. Cartwright, Fisher and Sifton are going to quit the cabinet. In well informed circles this is regarded as somewhat improbable, as regards Sifton and Fisher. They know how to hang on. Mr. Cartwright may go after the session, also Mr. Scott. The latter will be succeeded by Belcourt.

The parliamentary press dinner tonight was a great success. Premier Laurier, Mr. Borden and the Speakers of the Senate and Commons were among the guests.

Application will be made this session for an act to incorporate a company under the name of the White Horse, Klunne & Northwestern Railway Company, with power to construct a line of railway from a point near White Horse, thence running in a northwesterly direction to a point near Klunne lake, Yukon Territory, with branch lines, roads, ferries, etc.

An order-in-council has been passed allowing the law to take its course in the case of Clement Goyette, now in L'Original jail, for murder. He will be hanged on the 28th. Goyette killed a farmer and his son.

Hon. R. Prefontaine has given notice of a bill for issuing whaling licenses for the Atlantic coast.

THE FAIR ESTATE.

San Francisco, April 16.—Superior Judge Cook today ordered the final distribution of the estate of the late Charles L. Fair, which was appraised at $3,040,000, to the two sisters of the deceased, Mrs. Herman Oelrichs and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt. The sum of $126,000 is to be held out for the purpose of meeting various claims. Attorneys' fees and other claims, amounting to over $200,000, already allowed, are also to be paid out of the estate. No contest to the distribution of the estate was made.

BEEF TRUST.

Chicago, Ill., April 16.—Prompted by complaints of ranchmen of the Northwest through Representative Martin (South Dakota), that it was their belief that a beef trust existed among the Western packers to the restraint of trade and the detriment of producers and consumers, the government has begun its investigations.

James A. Garfield, chief counsel of the department of commerce and labor, and assistant to Secretary Cortelyou, is in Chicago. He has come with Inspector Carrol, of the department of agriculture, purely to make inquiry at the stockyards. Other men have been sent to Kansas City, Omaha and all large cattle markets.

DISCUSSING ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENT

Russian Press Hopes For Better Relations With Britain.

St. Petersburg, April 16.—The papers here which, since the Anglo-French agreement, have been distracted, first by the holidays and then by the stirring events of the last few days, are now discussing the agreement significantly and in a friendly fashion, finding therein promise of better relations with Great Britain and a new and heavy blow to German prestige, the plan for German hegemony having already been upset by the Russo-Austrian and Franco-Italian agreements.

The Russ says: "For France, and perhaps for all Europe, the Anglo-French agreement is a turning point. France was being drawn towards Germany against her will. Emperor William has made it one of the principal tasks of his life to reconcile France to her fate, but besides the Berlin road there is one other open, namely, the London road. French statesmen had long anticipated the moment when they would have to choose between them. Germany is now abandoned to involuntary isolation; France has left her irrevocably; her complete isolation will now depend upon Russia. If the latter concludes an agreement with Great Britain, Germany's position will be critical. The prospect is so pleasing to Great Britain that she will scarcely place unacceptable conditions before Russia. Great Britain knows that her agreement with France will become friendship, if Russia desires to join the coalition. Germany understands that the Anglo-French agreement will not weaken the dual alliance, which it simply supplements."

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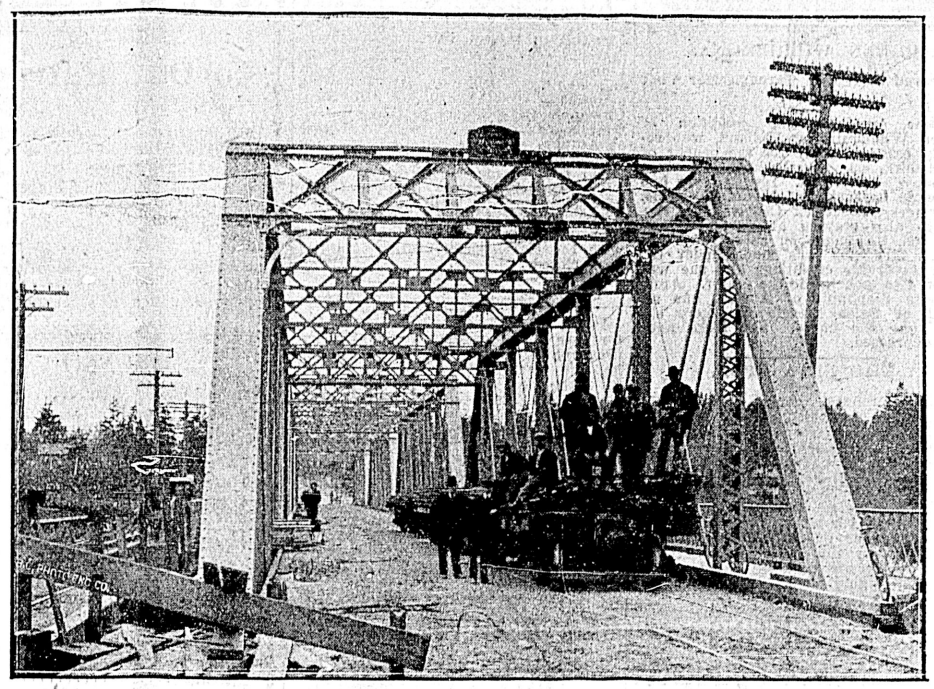

The new Point Ellice bridge was yesterday formerly taken over by the city from the contractors, the Victoria Machinery Depot, having been found satisfactory in every respect. From City Engineer Topp the Colonist has obtained the following description of the fine structure:

The piers were built under the day labor system upon clusters of substantial piles of Douglas fir, and after the soft material was removed from the coffer dam the whole was carried up to the required height in hydraulic cement concrete and granite masonry, the end abutments being carried down to hard red clay and rock foundation. The finished capping of the masonry is constructed on down grade towards the city, or easterly end, of 3½ feet in the entire length of 600 feet, which will greatly reduce the incline at the westerly, or Esquimalt, end of the bridge, and also aid the drainage of storm water from the roadway.

The superstructure was built under contract with the Victoria Machinery Company, of this city, and is of a very substantial nature, the form of the same being what is known as a pin-connected, through Pratt truss, each span of which is 150 feet from centre to centre of piers, and 37 feet 6 inches in width between the hand rails of the sidewalks. The steel trusses, four in number, are designed to carry, with perfect safety, a full line of large tram cars weighing 32 tons each when fully loaded, together with about 80 pounds per square foot over the surface of the floor and sidewalks.

TOGO TELLS STORY OF DISASTER TO MAKAROFF

Battleship Petropavlovsk Struck Mine Laid by The Japanese---Last Bombardment Silenced the New Forts At Port Arthur After Long Fire.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—The Japanese legation tonight received the following cablegram, dated Tokio April 16: "Admiral Togo reports that the combined fleet, as previously planned, commenced, on the 11th of April, the eighth attack on Port Arthur. The fourth and fifth destroyer flotillas and the fifteenth torpedo flotilla and the Keryo Maru reached the mouth of Port Arthur at midnight of the 12th and effected the laying of the mines at several points outside the port, defying the enemy's search lights.

"The second destroyer flotilla discovered at dawn of the 13th one Russian destroyer trying to enter the harbor, and after ten minutes attacked and sunk her. Another Russian destroyer was discovered coming in the direction of Lao Ti Shan and was attacked, but she managed to flee into the harbor. On our side there were no casualties, except two seamen on the Ikazuchi, slightly wounded. There was no time to rescue the enemy's drowning crews, as the Bayan approached.

"The third fleet reached outside of Port Arthur at 8 a.m., when the Bayan came out and opened fire. Immediately afterwards the Novik, Ascol, Diana, Petropavlovsk, Pobieda and Poltava came out and made an offensive attack. Our third fleet hardly answered, and, gradually retiring, enticed the enemy fifteen miles southeast of the port, when our first fleet, informed through wireless telegraphy from the third, suddenly appeared before the enemy and attacked them.

"While the enemy was trying to regain port, a battleship of the Petropavlovsk type struck mines laid by us the previous evening, and sank at 10:30 a. m. Although another ship was observed to have lost freedom of movement, the confusion of the enemy's ships prevented us from identifying her. They finally managed to regain the port. Our third fleet suffered no damage and the enemy's damage, besides what is above mentioned, was probably slight also. Our first fleet did not reach firing distance.

"Our fleets retired at 1 p. m., and prepared for another attack. They resailed, April 14, toward Port Arthur. The second, fourth and fifth destroyer fleet and the ninth torpedo fleet also joined at 3 a.m. and 7 a.m. No enemy's ship was found outside of the port.

"Our first fleet arrived at the port at 9 o'clock and discovered three mines laid by the enemy, and destroyed all. The Nasuga and Nissin were despatched to the west of Lao Tishan, and made indirect bombardment for two hours, it being their first action.

"The new forts on Lao Tishan were finally silenced. Our forces retired at 1:30 p.m."

In concluding his report, Admiral Togo says: "The fact that not a single man was injured in these successive attacks must be attributed to His Majesty's glorious virtues. The officers and men proved gallant and did their utmost in the discharge of their duties, despite many things that seemed beyond human control.

"The ships freely moving over the enemy's ground without suffering any damage must be attributed to heavenly assistance."

JAPAN IS BUILDING SUBMARINE BOATS

Working Overtime in Order to Give Warm Reception To Baltic Fleet.

London, April 16.—While it is authoritatively stated that the Japanese have no submarine navy at the present time, and that, therefore, it is impossible that the Russian battleship Petropavlovsk could have been sunk by a boat of this class, it is understood that the Japanese arsenal and navy yards are working overtime on two or more submarine boats, which will be ready before the Russian Baltic squadron reaches the Far East. It is known that the Japanese government approached a firm of submarine boat builders about the time the first submarines were adopted by the United States, but no purchases were made then, as the Japanese preferred to watch the development of this species of warfare. Subsequently the Japanese government secured all necessary details of the construction of submarinse at their own yards, but the later stages of the Russian negotiations moved too fast to allow for the completion of the boats in time for active service around Port Arthur.

PANAMA CANAL.

Paris, April 16.—All the papers necessary for the transfer of the Panama canal to the United States are now completed. The most important paper is the contract for the sale.

EXTENDING CONDOLENCES.

St. Petersburg, April 16.—A number of foreign ambassadors, acting under instructions, have extended to Russia the condolences of their governments on the Petropavlovsk disaster. United States Ambassador McCormick did not receive any instructions, but he took occasion to express to Foreign Minister Lamsdorff his personal sympathy with the bereavement of those lost on the ship.

BLACK SEA FLEET.

St. Petersburg, April 16.—Vice Admiral Doubassoff has been apopinted commander of the fleet at Russian ports in the Black Sea in succession to Vice Admiral Skyridoff, who succeeds the late Vice Admiral Makaroff. Prince Hilloff, minister of railroads, will leave St. Petersburg for Vladivostock.

USE OF EXPLOSIVES.

Budapest, April 16.—At a meeting of the Hungarian group of the international party conference today a resolution was unanimously adopted providing for the introduction of a proposition for the internatinal regulation of the use of explosives in time of war at the congress to be held at St. Louis in September next. It was pointed out that the Russo-Japanese war has proved the use of torpedo and submarine boats was a most barbarous practice and endangered neutral and inoffensive vessels.

BULGARIA AGROUND.

Hamburg, April 16.—The Hamburg-American liner Bulgaria, Capt. Russ, from Hamburg for New York, is aground at Schulau. Assistance has been sent to the stranded vessel.

RE-ENACT CHINESE EXCLUSION LAW

New Bill Introduced by Chairman of Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Washington, D. C. April 16.—United States Attorney-General Knox has handed to the President his opinion regarding the validity of the Chinese Exclusion Law. While the opinion has not been made public, it is known that the attorney-general holds in effect that denunciation of the treaty by China does not operate to nullify the existing laws, and that the exclusion can be enforced as rigidly hereafter as under the treaty. In accordance with the action of the Chinese government, the treaty will expire on the seventh of next December.

It is the hope of the Chinese government that a new treaty may be negotiated which will prove more favorable to Chinese immigration.

A bill which seeks to strengthen every weak place in the Chinese Exclusion Act, drawn by the department of justice, was introduced in the house by Chairman Hitt, of the committee on foreign affairs. The first section obviates any embarrassment on account of the denouncement by the Chinese government of the treaty between the United States government and that country striking from the Chinese Exclusion Act the words, "If not inconsistent with treaty obligations."

Deny Report Made By Togo

Russians Declare He Did Not Sink Mines Off Port Arthur Harbor.

Offer No Explanation of the Disaster to Battleship Petropavlovsk.

A Statement That Submarine Boats Were Seen Hovering in the Vicinity.

St. Petersburg, April 16.—The claim of Vice Admiral Togo, commander in chief of the Japanese standing squadron that he sank mines off Port Arthur at midnight Tuesday has elicited an authoritative statement that not a single Japanese torpedo boat approached the entrance to Port Arthur at that time. The informant is in a position to have access to all official reports, but he admits he cannot explain the Petropavlovsk explosion.

An admiral has given a version of the affair confirming that of Vice Admiral Togo. He declares that Japanese torpedo boats came up the previous evening and laid mines along the south of the entrance to the harbor. He claims that the torpedo boats were seen to make off in a different direction from that in which they came.

The flagship, he says, drew out from the line as the squadron re-entered the harbor, thus getting among the Japanese mines. The theory that the disaster to the Petropavlovsk was caused by a submarine boat, which had been scouted out by the admiralty, is revived by a statement published in the Novi Krai on March 24th that a sentry's cutter stationed in the roadstead reported what looked like a sumarine vessel two miles off shore.

Launches from the torpedo boat were sent out to investigate but found no trace of the vessel. The same issue of the Novi Krai contained reports that Japanese torpedo boats were firing Whitehead torpedoes at a range of a mile at the warships guarding the entrance to the harbor, but all spent torpedoes were picked up by the Russians. It is not impossible that one of these spent Whitehead torpedoes exploded against the battleship Pobieda and caused the damage sustained by that vessel.

Lieut. Doulskie, one of the officers of the Petropavlovsk, who survived the disaster, succumbed to his injuries yesterday and several other survivors are not expected to recover.

Four and fifty members of the naval reserve, whose terms of service expired in 1903, left this evening for Port Arthur to replace the men lost by the explosion on the flagship. Another batch will leave tomorrow.

Baron Schilling, the torpedo expert, has gone to Vladivostock to take charge of two submarine boats there. Other submarines are going out in sections. The admiralty admits buying four large German steamships, which will be converted into cruisers. It is believed that the admiralty is negotiating for the purchase of four similar vessels from the United States.

SEALING STEAMER MISSING.

St. Johns, N. F., April 16.—Fears are entertained for the safety of the sealing steamer Kite, the smallest vessel of the fleet. The Kite has not been reported by any steamers which have arrived here lately and the outlook respecting her is regarded as serious, especially as the weather is extremely severe. She had on board 120 men.

A FURTHER BLOW TO RUSSIAN PRESTIGE

This The View France Takes of The Awful Disaster to Makaroff.

Paris, April 16.—The Russian naval disaster displaces all other topics. The view is held in government quarters that it will have the effect of postponing peace. A leading official said today:

"This is a further blow to Russia's prestige, and every such blow will add to the length and bitterness of the war. If Russia ultimately wins, as we believe she will, the loss of the Petropavlovsk will be one of the largest items of the war indemnity which Japan will have to pay."

The official added that the gradual wiping out of the Russian navy might have the beneficial effect of reducing European naval armaments, which are now adjusted with reference to one another. He pointed out that the British naval plan contemplated a strength equal to the navies of France, Germany and Russia, whereas the present gradual elimination of the Russian navy would permit Great Britain and other countries to reduce their naval programme without altering their relative strength.

The prospect of an Anglo-Russian accord is receiving serious attention in official and diplomatic circles, the trend of sentiment being that it will eventuate in an Anglo-French-Russian agreement. However, the view of the highest French officials is that this agreement is not imminent but is likely to be realized after the close of the Russo-Japanese war. The officials say that certainly there will be no consummation of the accord so long as the war lasts. The specify Great Britain's relations with Japan as among the reasons why the accord will not be realized. Moreover, French governmental opinion does not appear to be favorable to such a far-reaching readjustment of European politics pending the end of the war.

The effect of the Anglo-Russian accord upon the United States is being discussed in diplomatic quarters. One of the ambassadors remarked that Great Britain would gain rom Russia all the United States had lost through recent misunderstandings.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 16.—The coroner's jury in the investigation into the Harwick mine disaster, in which 178 men lost their lives on January 25 last, returned a verdict late this afternoon, holding State Mine Inspector F. M. Cunningham and Superintendent of Mines Wilfred Bowden responsible for the explosion. Warrants have been issued for their arrest, charging murder.

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Suspicious of China's Policy

Russian General Issues Ultimatum to Commander of Yellow Army.

A Clash on Borders of Manchuria Was Only Narrowly Averted.

Liao Yang, Saturday, April 2.—(Delayed in Transmission.)—The outside world does not know how near Russian and Chinese troops were to a clash on the border of Manchuria. In order to remove the menace of a large Chinese army from the Russian flank, General Limavich, the Russian commander in Manchuria, deemed it necessary to communicate an ultimatum to Yuen Shi Kai, supreme commander of the Chinese army and navy, ordering that the Chinese troops withdrew three hundred or four hundred versts into the interior.

"If this demand be not fulfilled, with the order of the viceroy," said the ultimatum of Limevich, "I will form a special division, which will drive the Chinese troops back to the frontier."

Everywhere in the establishment of the headquarters of General Limevich at Liao Yang, concern has been manifested at the attitude of the Chinese. Concentrated on the western shore of the Liano Ho, according to reports persistently circulated, there are hundreds of Japanese among the Chinese troops, disguised in various ways. Japanese spies are along the line of the railroad and follow all European, especially Russians. Yuan Shi Kai is an implacable hater of Russian and a tried friend of Japan. He has assured the whole world of the strict neutrality of Chinese in the Far Eastern trouble.

Russia, however, is not as confiding today as she was at the time of the Boxer outbreak. Immediately upon his arrival at Liao Yang, General Limevich instituted a strict surveillance over the actions of the Chinese troops along the front. At Inkho he received a Norwegian named Munlte, a representative of Yuan Shi Kai. General Limevich asked him why these troops were concentrating so near places occupied by Russians. Munlte answered that he supposed China's object was to maintain neutrality and the safety of northern China from invasion by the Russians or Japanese.

In view of the Russian demand, however, the Chinese troops have already begun to retire into the interior of the Pechili province. Another object of the concentration of the Chinese was said to be the protection of the Shan Ma Kwan railroad. General Lipevitch told Munlte to advise Yuan Shi Kai to command General Ma not to approach the Shan Ma Kwan railroad with troops, as such action could only be regarded as threatening Russia's position in Manchuria. It is asserted that the General Ma had no reason to concentrate a large force for the protection of the roads, as the Russian troops had no idea of taking possession of it or entering Chinese territory. The concentration of Chinese troops being apt to lead to a misunderstanding General Limevitch delivered his ultimatum.

The suspicions of the Russians regarding the Chinese were further aroused by the efforts of Munlte to reach Port Arthur and receive the army permission to do so, which was refused.

SAILORS IN RIOT AT PENSACOLA

Bluejackets on U. S. Warships In Trouble With the Shore Police.

Pensacola, Fla., April 16.—In a riot here tonight between police and bluejackets from the warships and a few artillery men from Fort Baranacas, Private Banks, of the Seventh Company of Artillery, was instantly killed and four bluejackets from the Iowa and Alabama wounded, though not seriously.

The riot started over a fight by bluejackets. Three police officers were at the patrol call box, when a petty officer from one of the ships blew a whistle signal used on the ship for the men to assemble. Fully 300 gathered and rushed on the policemen. Two of the police officers backed away from the crowd firing as fast as possible at the advancing bluejackets, who were hurling stones, bottles and other missles at them. It was during this shooting that the artilleryman was killed. Reinforcements from the police station arrived at this juncture and partly dispersed the bluejackets. Later, owing to the threats of the men from the warships to kill the policemen, Admiral Barker ordered the marine guards from two of the ships ashore and they quelled the riot and prevented further trouble.

PREPARING FOR SIEGE.

Rome, April 16.—Lieut.-General Lintvick, in supreme command of the Russians in Manchuria, will, it is expected, confer with the commandant of Vladivostock regarding measures to be taken to prevent that city from being cut off and to preserve the health of the garrison in case of siege. Orders have been issued for the absolute maintenance of clean dress by the inhabitants of the city and for the destruction of the Chinese and Korean barracks.

JAPAN'S GOLD RESERVE.

Paris, April 17.—The Tokio correspondent of the Matin telegraphs that the gold reserve in the Japanese bank there is $45,000,000 and that $9,500,000 gold was sent to America during the month of March

WAIT FOR SKRYDLOFF.

Paris, April 17.—The Eclair's St. Petersburg correspondent says he is informed that an informal order has been forwarded to Vice Admiral Alexieff not to permit the Russian fleet to leave Port Arthur before the arrival there of Vice Admiral Skrydloff.

It is the opinion in high naval circles that it will not be necessary to despatch the Baltic squadron to the Far East as the army, it is believed, will be able to compete with the Japanese forces.

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QUEEN WILHELMINA.

Improved in Health Through Her Visit to Italy.

Rome, April 16.—The condition of Queen Wilhelmina of Holland, who recently came to Italy for the benefit of her health, has greatly improved since her stay at Sorrento. Her Majesty has made an ascension of Mount Vesuvius.

Princess Frederick Charles of Prussia is also staying at Sorrento, and she, too, has made an ascent of Vesuvius. Her trip was made under the most favorable conditions and she was allowed to look inside the crater. Archduchess Stephanie of Austria has arrived at Salso Maggieore, where she will take the baths. She looks aged and depressed.

THE NEVA OPEN.

St. Petersburg, April 16.—All St. Petersburg assembled on the banks of the Neva this afternoon to witness the picturesque ceremonies connected with the opening of navigation. No steamer or other boat has a right to cut the waters of the Neva until the governor of the fortress of St. Petersburg or St. Paul crosses the river in a gilded barge to the winter palace and presents to the Emperor the Kris to the stronghold, which are returned to him with a cupful of gold coins.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN WEST AFRICA

A Superior Force Herreroes Attacks a German Column.

Berlin, April 16.—A despatch from Colonel Leutvein, governor of German Southwest Africa, reports that a superior force of Hereros attacked his column, which was advancing on Oyiumbo, April 13th, and was repulsed with loss. The column, however, returned to Otjosasu, as it was impossible to bring up munitions and attend to the wounded. Two officers and several troopers were killed and 14 wounded in the fight with the Hereros, which lasted ten hours.

THE REICHSTAG.

Adoption of Resolution in Opposition to Centre Party.

Berlin, April 16.—The debate in the Reichstag regarding the question of the admission into Germany of the Jesuits, has resulted in the adoption in opposition to the Centre party, the Poles and Alsains, of a resolution designed to supply the omission from the constitution of a limit to the period in which the federal council can ratify the Reichstag's action. The resolution fixes the future limit as the date of the assemblage of a new Reichstag.

ON THE RAMPAGE.

Vicksburg, Miss, April 16.—With a roar that was heard for miles, the Mississippi river last night cut through Killierankie Neck, in Davis bend, restoring Mahis island to the Mississippi mainland and resumed its old channel through what, for forty years, had been known as Lake Plamyra. Several valuable cotton plantations were practically ruined. The neck of land through which the river cut to regain possession of its former channel was about 500 yards wide. Davis Bend is twenty miles south of this city.

THE READY GUN IN PENNSYLVANIA

Angry Wife Shoots and Kills Her Husband's Best Girl.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 16.—While walking along Airbrake avenue in Wilmerding this evening, Miss Laura Retrach aged 32, was shot and killed by Mrs. Beminger, with whose husband Miss Retrach was strolling. Beminger was shot in the leg. Mrs. Beminger and her husband were locked up in the Wilmerding jail.

The Bemingers and the Retrachs are neighbors in Wilmerding and it is said that Mrs. Beminger was insanely jealous of her husband. He left her early in the evening for Wilmerding, and he protests that the meeting with Miss Retrach was purely casual. Mrs. Beminger, however, is said to have followed her husband when she learned where he had gone, and when she saw him in company with Miss Retrach, without a word she drew a revolver and fired at her husband, aiming low. The bullet lodged in Beminger's leg. While he was protesting at his wife not to shoot again, Miss Retrach started to flee from the street. Mrs. Beminger turned on her and fired. The woman fell to the ground without a moan and was dead within fifteen minutes. When Mrs. Beminger realized what she had done she collapsed. She is the mother of two children aged 12 and 14 years respectively.

WASHOUTS HAVE RETARDED MINING

Serious Reduction in Weekly Output of Rossland Properties.

Rossland, B C., April 16.—A succession of slides and washouts on the Red Mountain railway prevented the shipments of ore to the Northport smelter, while a washout of transfer tracks between the Red Mountain and Canadian Pacific lines shut off shipments to the Boundary plants late in the week. The result is a serious reduction in tonnage.

Figures up to tonight are: Le Roi No. 2, 440, (milled) 300; Centre Star, 1,157; War Eagle, 766; White Bear, 200; Spitzee, 90; total, 2,953; year to date, 126,927 tons.

White Bear announces it will immediately commence the construction of concentrators. Surveys have been made and an order for timber is now being placed. The crew at Le Roi is steadily growing. Large quantities of ore are to be shipped from various slopes to determine the fluxing properties. Smelter resumption is fixed for the end of the month. The mine is now working about 275 men.

SITUATION AT NEW CHWANG

Harbor is Mined And Shipping Is Ordered to Keep Away.

New Chwang, April 16.—The authorities have warned shipping not to anchor within five miles below or one mile above the fort here on account of mines. Small steamers are every day attracting a great crowd to the Bund. The Imperial Chinese Railway is giving refuge transportation to Tien Tsin.

Owing to the fact that about 2,000 Chinese depend on the shipping of New Chwang, its curtailment will soon, it is feared, lead to much distress among them. The conditions and regulations surrounding shipping in the Yalu are practically the same as at New Chwang. Only twenty or thirty native fruit boats are reported to have arrived at Antung. Exports, chiefly beans, are permitted, but no ships are allowed to lie at the entrance to the river.

The Chinese report that the Japanese are occupying Wiju.

The pontoon bridge at Antung has been withdrawn and communication with the Korea shore of the Yalu has been closed.

EXPLORE BEHRING STRAIT.

Paris, April 17.—The Journal's St. Petersburg correspondent says that a hydrographical mission under Col. Brizenko, will start next week for Archangel to make an exploration of Behring strait for a route for a Russian squadron.

PREPARING SUBMARINES.

Paris, April 16.—According to a despatch from the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petiti Parisien, an American engineer is on his way to Port Arthur to direct the reconstruction of the three submarin boats which were forwarded to Port Arthur in sections in March.

GRAND MUSIC AT THE VATICAN

Female Voices Heard For First Time in Four Centuries.

Rome, April 16.—The Vatican this morning presented a spectacle unprecedented for centuries, when Pope Pius, the cardinals, other dignitaries of the church, the members of the papal court, the "Black" aristocracy and three hundred other guests assisted at the performance in the Sala Regia of the Abbe Perosis' new oratorio, "The Last Judgment." The choir, which included women singers, was personally directed by the composer. His holiness was greatly pleased with the presentation of Abbe Perosis' latest work and offered him his congratulations of the success of the oratorio. It is popularly said that the present pontificate will be a golden era for sacred music.

The audience was perfectly silent, knowing the aversion of the Pope to noise and manifestations, but after a hymn of peace, the Pope himself gave the signal by clapping his hands, and everyone burst into enthusiastic applause. When this subsided, Abbe Perosis intended to continue the performance, but his holiness requested an encore, which was given.

Immediately at the close of the performance, the Pope clapped his hands, and then received Abbe Perosis and the singers. His holiness remarked that it was the first time in four centuries that music had been rendered at the Vatican with female voices, and he expressed the hope that Abbe Perosis would compose a work for the fiftieth anniversary of the proclamation of the Immaculate Conception, on December 8th.

Local News.

Lifeboat Meeting.—On Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 there will be a meeting of the committee of the proposed Lifeboat Association for the purpose of appointing trustees and consider ways and means. All the members are requested to be present. The meeting will be held in Secretary Peirson's office.

Important Meeting.—A special meeting of the Board of Trade has been called for Monday evening at 8 o'clock, when Mr. John Cain, representing a wealthy railway syndicate, will address the members by invitation on the subject of the Vancouver island railway. A synopsis of the scheme in which Mr. Cain is interested appears in another column of this paper.

Grand Master Coming.—This evening Dr. E. C. Arthur, grand master of the I. O. O. F. of British Columbia, will arrive on the Charmer. Tomorrow evening there will be a joint meeting of the three city lodges to receive the grand master. After routine business a social time will be participated in, and a most enjoyable evening is expected. All Odd Fellows should make it a point to be present. Sojourning brethren will be cordially welcomed.

Sons of St. George.—Several committees of Sons of St. George are actively engaged in making preparations for the proper observances of St. George's Day, on the 23rd of this month. In recent years St. Georges's day has been observed in Victoria with much enthusiasm and the fact that it is the home of the Pacific squadron has enabled the citizens to show their appreciation of the navy and its gallant men by a very generous display of bunting. The Sons of St. George are inviting their friends to a dinner to be given in the A. O. U. W. hall on Friday evening, a large number of the business men being unable to attend if held on Saturday. Patriotic songs, speeches and stories will be told, old history repeated and the glorious exploits of Englishmen extolled. The Sons of St. George have proved themselves the best of entertainers and the celebration of their National Day is always fittingly observed.

Enjoyable Dance.—A most enjoyable dance was given at the Assembly hall Thursday night, under the auspices of the High School Alumni Association. The hall presented a very pretty appearance, the decorations for the James Bay ball having been left for the occasion. The dance was chiefly given in order to get a reunion of the old High school pupils and teachers, with a view of increasing the membership and encouraging the work of the association. A large number were present and all seemed to thoroughly enjoy the evening. The floor was perfect and the music even better. Light refreshments were served during the evening. Great credit is due Mr. Gordon Grant and Miss McCulloch, who looked after affairs for the evening, while the thanks of the association are due to Mrs. Simpson, who directed the dance, looking after the general arrangements in the hall. The regular arrangemeeting of the association was held before the dance.

The extensive purchases of dress fabrics by The Westside for the season is the cause of much favorable comment, especially on account of the styles and qualities being so good and the prices so low, which makes buying irresistible and the store busy.

Carne's Economy Grocery Store

To Our Patrons:

Owing to the great drawbacks and high prices we have been obliged to charge for our goods in the past owing to the "CREDIT" system, we have decided to establish a CASH GROCERY, which takes effect on and after the first day of June, 1904. The reason we give you this time from today until June is to enable all our present CREDIT Customers to become perfectly acquainted with the NEW ORDER, and not to be taken at a disadvantage. All will be treated alike. We will serve the best groceries at the lowest figure and will constantly have SWEEPING ECONOMY CASH SALES EVERY WEEK, something like the following: Note the list carefully. Every item is a bargain, and every item is a staple. Now just watch for the fireworks.

LIST No. 1

12 lbs. B. C. Sugar	$ 50
1 Sack Flour, choice of brand	1 35
4 lbs. Prunes, 40-50s, or 7 lbs. Pruns, 80-90s	25
1 Gallon Vinegar	65
4 lbs. Rice, Sago, Tapioca or Pearl Barley	25
11 Bars Soap, Home Rule, White Swan, Eclipse, or Cheerful Brands	50
1 lb. of Tea, choice of English Breakfast, Gunpowder, Oolong, Young Hyson, Ceylon, Uncolored Japan	50
2 tins of Corn, Peas or Beans	20
2 lbs. our Celebrated After Dinner Java and Mocha Coffee	60
1 quarter pound tin Pepper, Mustard, Cinnamon, Cloves, Allspice or Ginger	10
1 pkt Corn Starch, Wash Starch, Blue or 3 doz Clothespins	10
	$5.00

LIST No. 2

25 lbs B. C. Sugar	$1 00
2 sacks Flour (your choice)	2 10
2 lbs Tea, choice of English Breakfast, Gunpowder, Oolong, Young Hyson, Ceylon, or Uncolored Japan	1 00
3 lbs. Our Celebrated After Dinner Java and Mocha Coffee	1 00
1 Sack B. & K. Rolled Oats	30
1 twelve oz. Tin of Price's Royal or Schilling's Baking Powder	40
1 Gal. Vinegar (malt or white wine)	65
6 Pkt. Corn or Washing Starch	50
4 lbs. Sago, Rice, Tapioca or Pearl Barley	25
10 lb. Sack Salt	25
3 Pkt. Stove Polish, or 3 tins Shoe Blacking	25
1 B. Brick or 1 pkt. Soda	10
2 lb. Brick Codfish or 2 lbs. Cleaned Currants	20
8 lbs. Italian Prunes, 40-50s, or 14 lbs. 80-90s	50
1 Bot. Flett's English Pickle	20
1 Bot. Stretton's Worcester Sauce, pts.	25
1 pkt. Soda Crackers, or 2½ lbs Snaps	25
¼ lb. tin Allspice, Pepper or Cinnamon	10
¼ lb. tin Ginger, Cloves or Mustard	10
	$10.00

In order to get the benefit of the above low prices, the Complete list of goods must be taken.

In ordering by mail or telephone, state the number of the list you desire. All orders will be filled in rotation as they are received.

MAIL ORDERS will receive prompt attention. CASH to accompany each order.

By taking advantage of the above low prices you will surely strike a gold mine of opportunities, for the CREDIT STOR asks the CASH Customer to PAY for the goods others receive and don't pay for. All goods and weights guaranteed.

The above SALE closes on Saturday, April 23rd, at 10:30 p.m.

All goods will be delivered within a radius of five miles from

Carne's Economy Grocery Store

Corner Yates and Broad Streets.

P. O. Box 329. 'Phone 586

Dropped.—Owing to the increased supply due to the recent warm weather fancy hothouse lettuce will be sold by the retail trade at three large heads for ten cents from and after Monday, 18th inst., until further notice. This low price puts lettuce within reach of all.

"Wh-why didn't you let de fight go on?" sobbed the defeated pugilist after they had brushed the stars out of his eyes and carried him to his corner. "Why didn't you lemme go ahead? I had 'im goin'!" "Yes," said his second, who was also his chief backer, "you had him going—but he was going the wrong way—and going too fast for you, son!" San Francisco Bulletin.

Best Way to Rear Healthy Children

Develop Their Strength With Ferrozone Which Makes, Rich Blood, Hardy Muscle, Steady Nerves.

Children brought up on Ferrozone are known by their strong rugged frames, their chubby cheeks and healthful appearance. Mothers find it an indispensable tonic and body builder, and in thousands of homes no other remedy is used.

Mrs. E. Montgommery, of Pittsburg, writes: "A little niece came to visit me, and noticing her pale looks and haggard looks, I started her on a course of Ferrozone. The change that girl underwent in a few weeks was marvelous. Her appetite chirped up, she had more spirit and strength and a rosy color came into her cheeks that I never saw there before. I weighed my niece about the time she started to pick up, and in seven weeks she gained almost eight pounds, and just looked the picture of health. I think this should be an example to many mothers, and I hope that others will try Ferrozone for their little boys and girls. I am thoroughly convinced that it's the most strengthening tonic. It has my strongest endorsement."

EVERY CHILD IMPROVES ON FERROZONE

The reason Ferrozone works so beneficially with children is that it acts directly on their blood, freeing it of all unhealthy matter, at the same time giving it an additional supply of iron. This at once results in more strength, new spirit and renewed vitality. Just one tablet at meal time works wonders.

You must be sure to get Ferrozone. Refuse to accept any article the druggist may say is just as good. Get what you ask for, Ferrozone, and the result we guarantee will be satisfactory. Price 50c. per box or six boxes for $2.50. By mail from N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., and Hartford, Conn., U.S.A.

"Arthur, dear, don't you think it's rather extravagant of you to eat butter with that delicious jam?" "No, love; economical. Same piece of bread does for both."—Tit-Bits.

CATARRH—HE WAS CURED.

Mr. John McKenzie, Elgin, N. S., writes: "I owe a duty to Japanese Catarrh Cure. I was a great sufferer for years with catarrh in the worst form, and for many months I could not breathe through my nose. This wonderful remedy has completely cured me and I can now breathe as naturally as ever." It heals every part of the diseased membrane. Sufferers should test it. Only 50c at all druggists.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada: I hereby tender the above company my sincere thanks for the very prompt manner in which they made payment to me of the amount of my late husband's life insurance, and also to Mr. S. W. Bodley, the company's agent in Duncans, for the careful and business-like way in which he obtained payment of the amount. (Signed)

EMILIE A. ROBINSON.

ISLAND RAILWAY

A public meeting to discuss the question of the proposed immediate construction of a line of railway to the north end of Vancouver Island will be held

TOMORROW EVENING

Monday in the

BOARD OF TRADE ROOM

at 8 o'clock. Mr. John Cain will deliver an address explanatory of the project.

F. ELWORTHY,
Secretary Victoria Board of Trade.

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COTTON CLEAN RAGS

AT THE

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THE Westside VICTORIA'S POPULAR STORE

GRAND DISPLAY .....OF.....

New Dress Goods!

WITHOUT a doubt the finest showing in Dress Goods we ever made is now on view. The best that New York, London, or Paris, will be wearing this season may be seen here, and much of it is confined to our trade for Victoria.

No fashionable, up-to-date woman should think of buying without first looking over our assortment.

A few prices selected from our stock at random for Monday's selling:

Knop Etamines

A popular fabric for smart walking costumes.

Fancy Knop Etamines in all the new color tones, 44 inches wide; also black.

Special Price.....90c

Flaked Voiles

A soft clinging fabric, suitable for high-class costumes.

Plain and Flecked Voiles, 44 inches wide, in black and all the latest colorings, per yard,

Special Price.....$1.25

A Fifty Cent Special

A very low price but an excellent material. Fancy Flaked Etamines, one of the most popular woollen fabrics for summer wear, in all the very latest colorings, including black. 44 inches wide, per yard,

Special Monday.....50c

Tweed Suiting

The most stylish material made for the Tailor-made Suit.

All-wool Tweed Suitings, one and a half yards wide, good rich colorings, per yard.

Special Price.....$1.25

Fancy Waisting

The latest novelties for the fashionable Shirt Waist.

Fancy Wool Waistings, in fancy Bedford Cord and Cashmere, in handsome woven exclusive designs,

Per Yard ..60c, 75c, $1.00

A Seventy-Five Cent Special

A popular price for the most popular fabric. Fancy Flaked Basket Cloth, guaranteed all-wool, 44 inches wide, in all the following colors: Fawn, Reseda, Champagne, Grey, Royal, Navy and Black, per yard,

Special Monday.....75c

MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED.

The Hutcheson Co., Ltd., - - Victoria, B. C.

Esquimalt & Nanaimo Ry.

Time Table No. 50, Taking Effect Thursday, April 14th, 1904

Northbound Leave.	Daily. A. M.	Southbound Arrive. P. M.	Southbound Leave. P.M.	Northbound Arrive. Sat., Sun. and Wed. P M.
Victoria	9:00	12:06	Victoria 4:00	7:55
Shawnigan Lake	10:20	10:46	Shawnigan Lake 5:17	6:46
Duncans	11:00	10:02	Duncans 5:55	5:55
Ladysmith	11:57	9:10	Ladysmith 6:45	5:00
Nanaimo	12:40	8:20	Nanaimo 7:37	4:15
Ar. Wellington	12:53	Lv. 8:00	Ar. Wellington 7:52	Lv. 4:00

THROUGH TICKETS TO CROFTON.

Via Westholme. Stage leaves daily, connecting with north and south bound trains. Double stage service Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays, connecting with morning and afternoon trains. Fare from Victoria, single, $2.00; return, $3.00.

THROUGH TICKETS V ICTORIA TO ALBERNI.

Stage leaves Nanaimo Tuesdays and Fridays on arrival of train from Victoria. Fare from Victoria, single $5.20; return, $8.65.

Ten trip Commutation Tickets, Victoria to Shawnigan Lake, only $5.00.

Excursion Rates in effect to all points good going Saturday and Sunday, returning not later than Monday.

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TO MY PATIENTS

I expect to leave here for the East about the 10th of May and expect to be away two months. During my absence my office will be closed.

DR. HARTMAN

Primrose Sale

By the Ladies of the Reformed Episcopal Church

PHILHARMONIC HALL, WEDNESDAY, 20th APRIL

OPENING AT 3 O'CLOCK.
Afternoon Tea, 10c.
SPECIAL EVENING ATTRACTION at 8:30.
Grand operetta, "The Dream of the Flowers." Parasol Drill. Admission 25 cents.

Teacher and Healer

Weak lungs, bronchitis, loss of appetite, anemia, dyspepsia, sleeplessness, uric acid rheumatism, obesity, spinal weakness treated. Delicate children made robust and strong. Apply at room 2, Metropolitan building, upstairs. Consultation hour from 11 to 12:30; also from 5 to 6 p.m.

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Imported in bulk. Six packages for 25c.

JOHNSTON'S SEED STORE,

City Market

Victoria Amateur Orchestral Society

First Concert at Institute Hall on

Thursday Next, April 21st, at 8.30 P. M.

Under the distinguished patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor.

Conductor, Mr. Frank T. Watkis.
Leader, Dr. Nash.

SOLOISTS:

Mrs. F. B. Pemberton.....Soprano
Mr. F. T. Watkis.....Piano
Dr. Nash.....Violin
K. J. Middleton.....'Cello

Full orchestra of Thirty Performers.

Admission, 50c; Reserved Seats, 75c.

Tickets can be obtained at Waitt's Music Store, where plan of the hall may be seen, and at Fletcher's Music Store, or of the Honorary Secretary, F. H. Wollaston, telephone 351.

Carriages at 10:30.

Victoria Ladies' Choral Society Initial Concert

A GRAND EVENING CONCERT

By the above Society will be given in the

Institute Hall, View Street, On Monday, April 18th

Commencing at 8:30 p. m.

Soloists—Mrs. Fred Pemberton, Mrs. W. E. Green and Miss Leverson, sopranos; Mrs. D. E. Campbell and Mrs. Gideon Hicks, contraltos. Conductor, Mr. F. T. Watkis.

Admission 50 cents. (A few reserved seats to be had at 75 cents.)

Tickets may be had at M. W. Waitt & Co.' Music Store, Government street, the secretary, Mrs. P. T. Johnson, St. Charles street, Telephone 314, or of any member of the society.

Public Notice

The wood dealers have advanced the price of split wood 25 cents per cord. The advance is owing to the action of the City Council in passing section 3 of by-law: "No person shall saw, cut or split lumber, cordwood or firewood upon any streets within the limits of the city."

CITY CHURCHES

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

Services, holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning service and ante-communion, 11 a. m.; evening service 7 p. m. Preachers, morning, Archdeacon Scriven; evening, Archdeacon Scriven. The music for the day follows:

Morning.

Voluntary—Andante .....Hy. Smart
Venite .....Crotch
Psalms for 17th Morning.Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum .....Oakeley
Benedictus .....Trouteck
Kyrie .....Godfrey
Gloria .....Godfrey
Hymns 4, 275, 303
Voluntary—Marcia .....Clark

Evening.

Voluntary—Berceuse .....Thome
Processional Hymn 215
Psalms for 17th Evening.Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat .....Mornington
Nunc Dimittis .....Attwood
Hymns 197, 125, 223
Vesper Hymn .....M.S.
Recessional Hymn 274
Voluntary—March—Naamann ....M. Costa

ST. SAVIOUR'S.

8 a. m., holy communion; 11 a. m., morning prayer. Preacher, Rev. W. D. Barber, 7 p. m., evening prayer, Rev. D. Dunlop.

ST. JAMES'.

Rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. Holy communion at 8; matins, ante-communion and sermon at 11; evensong and sermon at 7. The following is the music:

Morning.

Organ—Voluntary .....
Venite and Psalms .... Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum—1st Setting ..Cathedral Psalter
Benedictus .....Troutbeck
Kyrie .....Tonus Peregrinus
Hymns 184, 197
Organ—Voluntary .....

Evening.

Organ—Voluntary .....
Psalms ..... Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat .....Barnby
Nunc Dimittis .....S. John
Hymns 131, 127, 141
Organ—Voluntary .....

ST. BARNABAS'.

Holy eucharist, 8 a. m.; matins, 10:30 a. m.; choral eucharist, 11 a. m. Sermon subject, "Appearances at or Near Galilee."

Hymns 555, 313, 197
Evensong .....7 p.m.
Voluntary—Berceuse .....Spinney
Hymns 138, 304, 27
Vesper Hymn 537
Sermon subject, "The Good Shepherd."
Offertoire—Arietta .....Therese
Postlude—March aux Flambeaux ..Clarke
Preacher, Rev. E. G. Miller.

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CHURCH OF OUR LORD (R. E.

Morning and evening prayer at 11 and 7, with sermons by Rev. H. J. Wood. Sunday school at 3. Bishop Cridge's Bible class on Friday afternoon at 4 at his residence, and a short service that evening in the chancel of the church, conducted by the rector at 7:45.

The following is the music for the day:

Morning.

Venite and Psalms—As Set .....
Te Deum .....Dykes
Benedictus .....Stainer
Anthem Hymn—The Lord is My Strength .....Smart
Kyrie .....Button
Hymns 218, 552

Evening.

Psalms—As Set .....
Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis .....Stainer
Hymns 223, 32, 31
Doxology 215

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

Dr. Campbell, the pastor, will preach at both morning and evening services, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m.; prayer meeting on Thursday evenings at 8 p. m. Musical selections follow:

Morning.

Psalms 69, 16
Hymns 538, 161
Anthem—When the Worn Spirit.Bradbury
Solo—Consider the Lilies .....Davis
Mrs. G. Mesher.

Evening.

Hymns 49, 73, 100, 104
Anthem—Oh Lord Most Merciful ..Concone

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CALVARY BAPTIST.

Morning theme: "The Separation of the Church." Evening subject: "Cart-ropes of Love." Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

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Y. M. C. A.

9:30, prayer meeting; 4 p. m., men's meeting. Address by Rev. H. A. Collison. A hearty welcome extended to strangers.

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PSYCHIC RESEARCH SOCIETY.

A spiritual meeting will be held in the Knights of Pythias hall, corner Pandora and Douglas streets, this evening at 8 o'clock sharp. Spiritual readings towards the close. All are invited.

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CHRISTADELPHIANS.

This evening at 7 p. m., room 1 A. O. U. W. hall, upstairs. Subject: "The Land of Palestine in Divine Politics." Seats free.

NO DARDANELLES FOR RUSSIA.

It is again reported that Russia desires the Porte's authorization for the warships to pass through the Dardanelles. The Russian Ambassador at Constantinople has, however, not deemed it advisable to press the point, as he regards it as useless to make the request. There will be no Dardanelles for Russia, because Canada wants all the Dardanelles cigarettes that are manufactured. Dardanelles are fine Turkish cigarettes, and can be had at all dealers, with cork, silver or plain tips.

TELEPHONY, THE GREATEST INVENTION OF ALL.

An eminent Electrician graphically says of the progress made in Electrical Science and Invention during the past quarter of a century, that the greatest invention within, or without this span, is the telephone. The electric light is a priceless boon, the trolley car a great utility, wireless telegraphy a wonderful achievement; but the telephone is all these and a blessed benefaction in human affairs as well. Its sublime simplicity and marvelous adaptability, transcend all comparisons in the domain of pure or applied science.

The extension of audible speech transmission from a stone's throw to a thousand miles, and with quieter inflection, is a work unrivalled. The telephone is an allayer of worry, an assuager of sorrow, a life-saver, a deterrent of crime, an earnest of security and an indispensable commercial necessity. The world could better afford to go back to the "penny dip" and the stage coach than give up the Telephone.

As to what the future holds no man may say; but even though he explores the ambient clouds on a radium motor, with a searchlight for a rudder, the telephone invention will still be secure in its peerless position.

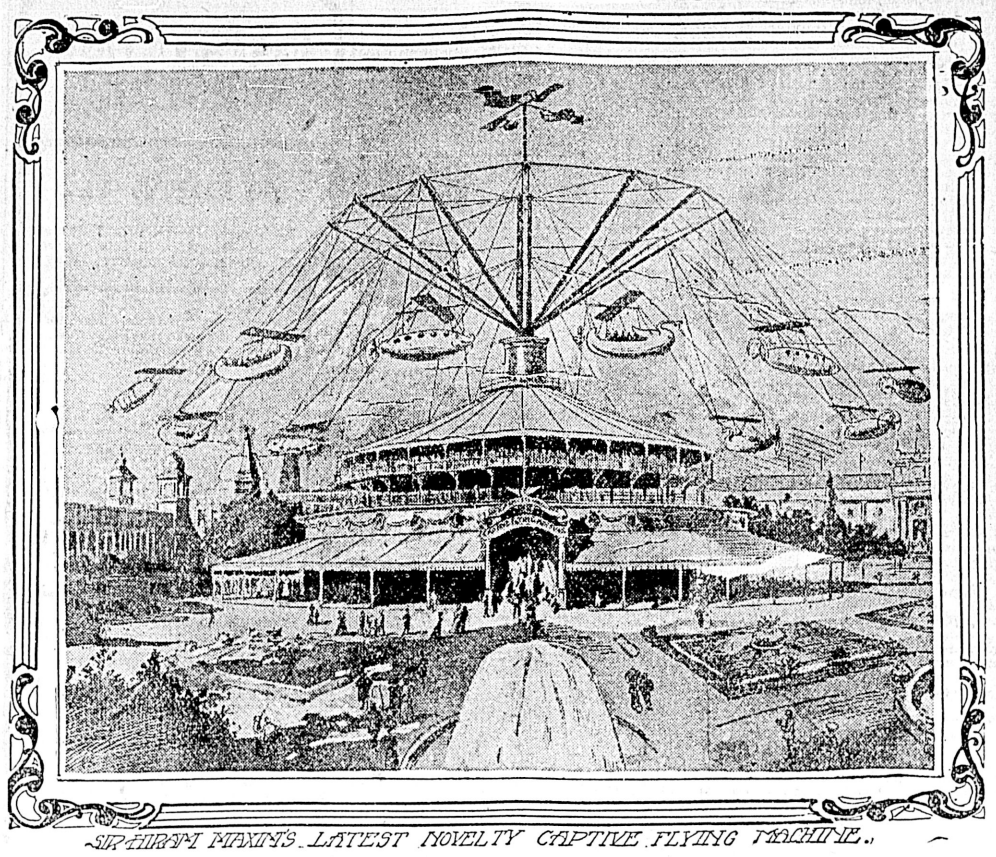
The very latest and up-to-date switchboard has just been installed by our own Telephone Company in their new offices in the Bank of Montreal building. The workmanship is all Canadian and the completeness and simplicity of the board is marvelous.

The Manager, we are informed, will be glad to show subscribers or intending subscribers the plant and explain how "Central" works untiringly night and day to give satisfaction to all her clients.

Barnes—Howse and I have been arguing about the meaning of the word "isthmus." He says it means a neck of land separating two bodies of water, and I held that it is a strip of land connecing two continents. Now, what do you say? Shedd—I say that neither of you is right. An isthmus is a thing that connects conspiracies and revolutions and separates governments.—Boston Transcript.

M. Bray, Nanaimo; Arthur J. Ford, Vancouver; A. H. Wagauneil, Brooklyn, N. Y., are registered at the Vernon.

Sir Hiram Maxim's Captive Flying Machines.



SIR HIRAM MAXIM'S LATEST NOVELTY CAPTIVE FLYING MACHINE.

At Thurlow Park, Norwood, last week, Sir Hiram Maxim gave a demonstration of his new "Captive Flying Machine." This is really a glorified merry-go-round. To a central vertical shaft, over 60 feet high, are attached ten long radial arms, supported by steel wire ropes, and from the ends of these arms are slung cars, each carrying six or eight passengers, and made in the shape of fish or any other form that fancy may dictate. Each is provided with an aeroplane, and by the varying of the angle, and consequently of the lifting power, of this they can, when the peripheral speed is high enough, be made to move up and down and perform complicated evolutions in the air. Last week the speed was not great enough to bring the aeroplanes into action; exigencies of space made it necessary for the cars to be hung about 40 feet from the ground, and the diameter of the circular path they followed was so small that a sufficient speed to affect the aeroplanes would have been accompanied by an undue development of centrifugal force, owing to increased speed of rotation. The machine, however, is destined for Earl's Court Exhibition, where it will be erected in the middle of the lake; and there the cars will be hung much lower, and with a large circle of travel the peripheral speed will be high enough to bring the aeroplanes into play with a very moderate number of revolutions a minute. The central shaft is driven by a gas engine, which can turn it at such a rate that the peripheral speed of the cars becomes about 65 miles an hour, and they are forced out at an angle of nearly 80 degrees to the vertical; but at Earl's Court the highest possible speed will be 35 miles an hour. A still arger machine is being built for the Crystal Palace, and as the space there is not limited the circle round which the cars travel will be so large that their speed will high with only four revoutions a minute. In building these machines Sir Hiram Maxim's main object is, not to provide the frequenters of places of amusement with a new sensation, but to defray the cost of serious experiments in aeroautics. He feels certain that the time has now come when it is practicable to make a flying machine that cannot fail to be of enormous value to the country as a military engine, and by the aid of the attractions of these captive flying machines at Earl's Court and the Crystal Palace he hopes to obtain from the public enough money to carry his experiments to a successful issue.—London Times.

Griffith's Menthol Liniment cures any pain of any kind.

The Princess Victoria left the harbor for Esquimalt yesterday afternoon to go on the B. C. Marine railway to be cleaned and scraped for the summer's work.

Swipsey—Here dis paper gives six columns to de Russian-Jap war an' only one inch to de fight last night between Bulldog Smith an' Kid Bone. Jimmy—Yer don't say. I tell yer de press has reached a bum stage when it lets a little thing like dat interfere wid a real scrap.—Chicago News.

An entirely novel scheme of whiskey-peddling has been discovered in the Chickasaw nation. The culprits, who are peddlers, traveled in an old wagon drawn by a poor span of Indian ponies and were ostensibly buying eggs and poultry, but on the sly they would sell small bottles of whiskey to farmers and Indians throughout the neighborhood at $1 per pint. The officers discovered that both axes of the wagon were of iron and very large. Upon further investigation it was discovered that these axles were hollow and would hold about 4 gallons each. The peddlers would remove a bolt and insert a small pump and draw the whiskey out of these axles.—Kansas City Journal.

Always Remember the Full Name
Laxative Bromo Quinine
Cures a Cold in One Day, Grippe in 2 Days
E. W. Grove on every box.

ONLY ONE DR. CHASE.

There is only one Dr. Chase of Receipt Book fame—Only one Dr. Chase who is known the world over because of the great prescription he gave to mankind. His portrait and signature—A. W. Chase, M. D.—are on every box of remedies. Imitators do not dare to produce these. They are the guarantee which protects you against fraud. Be sure they are on the box you buy.

There is this to be borne in mind in

It seems to be destined that the Londoner of the future shall travel underground by electric "underground," by "tubes," and shallow subways. Though, to be sure, somebody—some Napoleon of Notting Hill or elsewhere—will one day perceive the exquisite absurdity of letting the beer barrels ride and enoy the upper air, while the humans are consigned below ground.—Daily Chronicle.

Imperial Silver Cheese Holders

EVERY JAR OF

MacLaren's Imperial

—AND OF—

MacLaren's Roquefort

contains a coupon offering the following valuable premiums on the basis given below:

Our Offer

Imperial Cheese Knife.....	4 coupons	and	$ .20
Imperial Individual Holder...	4 "	"	.650
Imperial Small Holder	4 "	"	.85
Imperial Medium Holder.....	4 "	"	1.00
Imperial Large Holder	4 "	"	1.25
Roquefort Cheese Holder, small	4 "	"	.65
Roquefort Cheese holder, arge	4 "	"	.85

which is about one-third actual value of the ware.

Guarantee

If the ware is not perfectly satisfactory when you receive it, please return it, and we will refund your money.

No charge for mailing knife or holder when you address the coupons and the cash (or stamps) to

A. F. MACLAREN IMPERIAL CHEESE CO.
Limited,
51 Colborne St., Toronto, Ont.

(The coupon below if cut out and sent to us, will be accepted as four coupons).

(Write Plainly.)

Name .....

Street and No. .....

Post Office .....

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BUYERS OF
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THE G. T. P. DEBATE IN PARLIAMENT.

The long debate which has taken place in the House of Commons at Ottawa over the Bill to amend the agreement between the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company and the Dominion Government, has afforded little more information than what was already in the possession of the public from the discussion in the last session of Parliament and from the publication of the amended agreement at the meeting of the shareholders in London of the Grand Trunk Railway Company. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in introducing the Bill embracing the new agreement, asserted that the proposed concessions were necessary in order to enable the Company to raise the necessary capital, and there is reason to believe that there is ground for that view. The Premier avoided, however, any reference to the criticisms which have been made in respect to the decision to make Moncton the eastern terminus of the line, or to answer the objections taken by Mr. Blair to the Government's proposal. In regard to the particular matter in which the people of British Columbia are so greatly interested—the requirement that work on the Western section of the road shall be commenced on the Coast and carried eastward to meet the construction towards the West—not a word has been heard. British Columbia has representatives in the House of Commons on the Government side of the House, and it might have been supposed that something would have been heard from them in support of a matter of such great concern to their constituents. But so far no report of such action has been found in any of the despatches from Ottawa. We can only assume, therefore, that complaisance to the Government is considered by them as a greater virtue, a more pressing duty, than an energetic effort on behalf of those who have elected them as their representatives. As we pointed out last year, it was a neglect of their duty to their constituents that our representatives did not demand a provision in the agreement to that effect last session. Another opportunity was afforded them when the amended agreement was before the House. In view of the liberal concessions to the Company that the amended agreement gives it, it would surely not have been unreasonable to require a modification of the arrangement with the Company requiring it to commence construction on the Coast. But again, as far as British Columbia is concerned, the public interests are ignored. It has not been so in regard to the demands of the people in other Provinces. In New Brunswick such consideration was paid to the demands of the members from that Province that even the leader of the Provincial delegation could not find himself able to support it. The voice of Quebec secured equal attention, whilst Manitoba's demands caused the deflection of the line to Winnipeg and an unnecessary addition to its length. But British Columbia was silent and got—nothing!

It has been suggested that if British Columbia wants such a modification in the arrangement with the Company, it must be prepared to pay for it. That is adding insult to injury. It implies that this Province stands in a different relation to the Dominion than other Provinces. That they may share in the rich feast that is spread from the Federal Treasury, while British Columbia must not even taste a crumb that falls from the table. No suggestion was made to New Brunswick, to Quebec, to Manitoba, that the incorporation of their various demands in the contract with the Company required some contribution in money or land from their Provincial resources. Yet acquiescence in those demands involved additional responsibilities, increased burdens on the Dominion in order that the Company might be induced to accept the modifications in the agreement that compliance with those demands necessitated. We have it on the authority of Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson and Mr. Hays that, as a commercial and railway proposition, the Company would have made the eastern terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway at North Bay instead of Moncton. That the route by Quebec was not a judicious arrangement. That the deflection from a direct route, so as to placate the people of Winnipeg, was an unnecessary addition to the mileage, involving a large addition to the cost of construction and increasing the expense of operation of the road. Yet there was never a suggestion that those who insisted on these concessions to local interests should be asked to make a substantial contribution in return for them from Provincial resources. But when British Columbia asks for some consideration, it is a different matter. There is, however, we admit, one weak link in our chain of argument—that we have not sent down to Ottawa as our representatives men of a calibre equal to those from New Brunswick, from Quebec, from Manitoba—men who make the Government understand that party loyalty does not require that they should sacrifice the interests of their constituents. Perhaps, after all, the Government in ignoring our interests is not as culpable as those to whose incapable hands these interests were committed by us.

THE TWO CONSTITUTIONS.

Not infrequently may be found articles in some of the leading reviews and newspapers in the United States comparing the constitutional authorities and methods in the United States and Great Britain, generally to the advantage of the latter. The turmoil which now seems to be inseparable from the political and social situation in the United States, causes some of the most thoughtful and observant publicists to compare or, perhaps, we should say, to contrast the differences in constitutional methods and results in the two countries. Both have governments ostensibly responsible to the people. Yet while the people who belong to the British Empire have brought that system of government almost to perfection, the citizens of the United States are sometimes almost in despair over the awkward or inefficient manner in which their system responds in practice to the calls made upon it. It is not uncommon to see it stated in American periodicals and newspapers that there are questions awaiting solution in that country that may bring about a state of things like that which the question of slavery caused some forty years ago. Nothing like that is ever suggested as possible of occurrence in Great Britain. There are bitter fights over some great political or social question, and to the casual observer the Constitution appears strained almost to the breaking point. But it comes through the trial without injury and the only effects of the division of opinion among the people on the question at issue are some fiery speeches in Hyde Park or some other popular agitation in favor of this or denunciation of the other policy. But in theory both governments are established on the same basis—that of a democratic character, a government of, for and by the people. There seem to be two grounds on which the difference in practice and operation—if not in theory—can be explained. One is that the Constitution of Great Britain is adapted to all sorts of conditions; that of the United States is not. The former is an unwritten constitution; built up of precedents; full of apparent inconsistencies, if not, indeed, direct contradictions. That of the United States is written and rigid. The United States Supreme Court has certain power and authority to interpret the meaning of any part or detail of the Constitution that may be submitted to it, possibly even to really amend it by reason of the interpretation it may put on some of its provisions. But there is always the possibility that even that august tribunal may have its decisions swayed by partisan prejudices, as was the case in the Hayes and Tilden controversy in 1877.

The other and the more important difference is that in practice the British system secures someone who is responsible to Parliament. The American system does not achieve that. The head of the Executive, the President, is accountable to no one but the people themselves, and that only at the end of the term of office of four years. Even then, if the occupant of the White House does not seek re-election, he can retire after defying the will of the people. It may be possible to give effect to the popular will by impeaching the President, but that is a slow, clumsy and cumbrous method, and, of course, assumes that if successful, the chief of the Executive is dismissed and a new administration formed. But in practice the President is irresponsible; a despot in fact. What he can do, or may attempt to do, without the sanction, or even the knowledge of Congress, has been shown recently in Mr. Roosevelt's action in regard to the Isthmian Canal and the negotiations with Panama. It is possible that had Mr. Roosevelt attempted to keep in the straight and narrow way of the Constitution, he might have failed entirely to achieve anything. Yet his action might have subjected him to penalties in the other case.

In the British system the chief executive is the Premier. He is directly responsible to the representatives of the people—always and instantly. However rapidly public opinion may change, the administration changes with it. The man who is trusted by the people is the ruler; should he forfeit that confidence he loses both place and power, and that immediately in response to the expression of its opinion by Parliament. But while that confidence of Parliament is enjoyed by the Premier, his authority is absolute; his power without check within the corners of the responsibility delegated to him by that body. There is no clearly defined written document, like the United States Constitution, but in the British case the executive is free from the constant annoyance of constitutional checks and counter checks. He is free, indeed, invited and encouraged to assume the fullest responsibility with the full knowledge that should he "lose touch" with the people's representatives his political days, his executive powers, are numbered.

VICTORIA AMATEUR ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY.

Some years ago an amateur orchestra achieved fame and made a great name for itself in Victoria under the direction of the late Mr. C. M. Chambers and Mr. J. J. Austin. Encouraged by that reminiscence Mr. Watkis has revived interest in such an enterprise and proposes to make it to orchestral music what the Arion Club is to vocal music. That is a consummation besides which nothing more need be said in favor of the proposal or in enlarging upon the delightful anticipation with which the practical realization of the project will be awaited.

The first concert is fixed for the 21st inst. There will be about 45 performers. That the movement should receive and will receive the support of the people of Victoria, a knowledge of their musical tastes and appreciation leaves no room for doubt.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE RESTORATION POLICY.

Sir,—I find that a sentence in my last letter to you on the subject of the restoration of the Island lands has been misconstrued; so I will explain. I said:

"The sale of the railway and lands to a foreign syndicate—an event quite within the range of probability—would intensify the evil of which all complain, and render the return of the lands to the people quite impossible."

I didn't mean, nor does the sentence convey the meaning, that a foreign syndicate would be an undesirable element on the Island. Capital is welcome from whatever quarter it may come. I was dealing with the question of freedom from taxation in perpetuity which the holders of the Island railway belt enjoy.. That is the one great fault from which have sprung all the dissatisfaction. So long as the belt remains in the company's hands it cannot be taxed. Now, should Mr. Dunsmuir sell his railway and grant to a syndicate—foreign or local—the exemption from taxation would pass with them. It is to preclude the possibility of such a calamitous event that I have written to urge on the government the importance of ascertaining the terms upon which the Island railway company will sell out, with a view of extinguishing the taxation right and placing the vast tract in the government's hands. Once secured the right to tax the lands comprised in the belt and the evils will disappear as quickly as a snowflake before the sun's rays.

I hope that I have now made my position clear, and thanking you for the courtesy you have shown me. I am. D.W.H.

THE BRITISH COLONIST

A. DECOSMOS, Editor.

April 16, 1859.

Political changes are not always synonymous with improvement. But it would certainly prove so with our legislature,—for any change with it could not fail to be an improvement, there being no chance of getting worse. Possibly, as at present constituted, we may just as well hope for a social reform among the northern Indians, as to expect either branch of our illustrious witenagemote to enter properly upon the discharge of their duties as legislators.

Steamer Eliza Anderson left yesterday for Queensborough. She took up a detachment of Royal Engineers, twenty men in charge of Captain Palmer, with about fifty tons of government stores from the Thames City, and also about fifty tons merchandise and forty passengers. She is expected here this morning and will leave again today for Queensborough, returning so as to depart on her regular day on Tuesday morning. The steamer and Captain are justly becoming general favorites, owing to the regularity and the quickness with which the voyage is made to and from Queensborough. This is what the public want, and know how to appreciate, as it brings Victoria nearer to British Columbia.

Nearly $400,000 in gold dust was carried away by the steamer Brother Jonathan on her last down trip. It is a significant fact that while the gold yield of British Columbia, with her mere handful of miners, is gradually augmenting, that of California, with her hundreds of thousands of active miners, is rapidly decreasing.

We are informed that as soon as the Treasury now building at Queensborough is completed, an assay office will be established in connection with it. It will be under the supervision of the Treasurer of British Columbia, Captain W. D. Gossett, R.E., who is well qualified for the duty, having made the necessary preparations before leaving England. This is a step in the right direction to protect ourselves, and foster our own interests instead of sending our gold to San Francisco. The next move should be a mint.

Freeman & Co.'s express has again placed us under obligations for an early delivery of newspapers. This well-known express having lately reorganized with an immense capital, and established an agency at Victoria, we cheerfully recommend it to the public. For reliability and certainty in forwarding, or executing commissions they are unsurpassed. Mr. A. D. McDonald, banker, is their agent in this place, and from what we personally know of him, we are satisfied that the businessof the concern must prosper in his hands.

Roderick Mackenzie, Esq., late Chief Factor of the hon. Hudson's Bay Company, died at Red River Settlement, Rupert's Land, on the 2nd of January, 1859, aged 87 years.

A large nugget has been found in Long's diggings, which has caused considerable excitement in regard to the Pike's Peak gold mines. The rush to these gold mines from the Western Atlantic States still continues.

The Malta correspondent of the New York Herald writes that rumor certainly says that Prince Albert's next cruise will be to Canada.

PROVINCIAL PRESS.

It is reported that the War Eagle and Centre Star will increase their shipments. Also that the Spitzee will resume shipments on a larger basis than ever before. These increased tonnages, taken in connection with the large shipments of copper ore which are now being received from Nelson and other points, will probably enable the smelter to start its third copper furnace. With three copper furnaces in operation and two lead furnaces, there will be required about twice as many men as at present on the company's pay rolls, which in turn should be a great benefit to the merchants and others in Trail.—Trail Creek News.

The projected Kelowna newspaper is to be edited by Walpole Murdock, until recently editor of the Hartney Star, Hartney, Man. We understand that the editor is now on a trip East in connection with the purchase of the plant. It is understood that the new paper will be strictly independent.—Vernon News.

At the Kootenay River Lumber Co.'s mill a full force is now employed and everything is in full swing again for the season, about 40 hands being employed. It was stated by the management yesterday that the bulk of the lumber now being cut is being sent to the Territories. The local demand, it is stated, while not large, was larger than it was for the past two years. The expectation, however, is that the demand will be greater locally as the season advances. It was explained that a more hopeful feeling prevailed in the lumber industry this season that last as it was felt that the demand at home and from the Territories would be larger this year than it was last.—Nelson News.

The C. P. R. are having a strenuous time on this division with snowslides and washouts. The hot weather of the past week has started the snow down the hills with fatal results to the train service. The officials here are working night and day with crews to clear the track, but no sooner has one of the obstacles been removed when it is reported that a slide came down at another point on the road. The last train through from the East came in on Saturday night last and up to the present there is no definite news as to when the main line will be open. The passengers East and West are now transferred over the Crow's Nest Pass.—Revelstoke Herald.

That Rossland loses substantially in revenue through the failure of its charter of incorporation to permit of the taxation of railway property within the city limits has been stated in a general way by Alderman Rolt and other members of the council, but last night a strong object lesson was produced bearing out the contention in toto. Replying to queries on the subject, the City Clerk of New Westminster wrote that his city has the power to tax railroad property and does so on the same basis that ordinary real estate and improvements are taxed. As a result last year's revenue was swelled by $1,698 from the Canadian Pacific, $96 from the New Westminster Southern and $539 from the B. C. Electric.—Rossland Miner.

HOW THE WORLD IS GOVERNED.

London Daily Telegraph.

In response to a letter of inquiry with reference to the various methods of procedure in the countries possessing a representative system, Lord Lansdowne has been provided with a mass of information, some of which is curious and much of importance in view of the approaching debates in the House of Commons. The particulars received from Austro-Hungary, Belgium, Denmark, France, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States have been issued in the form of a white paper. Sir Conyngham Greene, writing from Berne of the Swiss Parliament, must have smiled as he penned the following words, which are surely an example to British legislators:

"The sittings of the 'Consells' begins at 8 o'clock a. m. in summer, and at 9 o'clock a. m. in winter, and last, according to the amount of business or the season of the year, till 1 or 1:30 o'clock p. m. Afternoon sittings are occasionally held if any special business has been begun which requires an immediate decision."

Though the House of Commons might object to 8 o'clock even on a summer's morning as the hour of assembly, what will be said to the practical people of the United States, whose House of Representatives and Senate meet at 11 and at noon respectively, and often sit late into the night? The Americans have two rules as to the length of speeches. In a debate a member may not be on his legs more than an hour, and after general debate is closed he may only occupy five minutes on an amendment. In the Netherlands, an early hour of meeting, 11 o'clock, is also favored and evening sittings are infrequent. In several other countries the parliaments begin business early in the afternoon, and four or five hours seems to be the usual length of their deliberations. From France, Mr. Lister reports, "The usual length of a sitting is four or five hours, from 2 to 6:30 or 7 p. m., and I have remarked that the Deputies invariably showed signs of astonishment, not unmingled with disgust, on the relatively rare occasions on which their parliamentary duties have necessitated their putting off their dinner.

Mr. G. W. Buchanan gives some particulars of an electric invention for recording votes once suggested in Germany. He says:

"During the session of 1869-1870 a motion was introduced in the Prussian Lower House by Count Frankenberg and his associates in favor of establishing this system, called the "Voting Telegraph," in the House, and a commission was charged with an examination of the matter. The House, after some discussion, decided against the motion, partly because no pressing need existed for shortening the divisions to the extent contemplated in his scheme, and partly on account of the advantages of a personal and oral process of voting; but there was no practical objections made to the machine. The time for taking the votes of the total number of members of the Lower House would, according to this scheme, occupy about two or three minutes. Each member was to have at his place to handle to turn to right or left as he wished to vote "Yes" or "No," and this handle was only capable of being turned by the member to whom the seat belonged, each member being provided with a special key, without which the mechanism would not work."

In France one method of voting is by means of balls placed in urns, a somewhat similar system to that adopted in Japan, Portugal and Spain. The system in the French Legislative Assembly is thus described: In this case each deputy advances to the tribune and receives from one of the secretaries a small wooden marble ("boule de controle"); he then drops his voting ticket into an urn placed on the tribune, and his "boule de controle" into another urn, which stands on the secretaries' bureau.

THE ROYAL FAMILY AND METHODISM.

The London, England, Methodist Times says:

"From the beginning of our history as a branch of the Catholic church, Methodists have been an intensely loyal people, as every reader of Wesley's Journal and of early Methodist records will admit. Loyalty to the Protestant Hanoverian dynasty impelled our forefathers to call many of their largest and finest churches by the name of Brunswick. In our late beloved Sovereign's reign that loyalty increased in fervor and spread to the confines of the Empire wherever the British flag floated and Methodists made their habitation.

"It is not betraying a Court secret or committing any indiscretion to state that our Gracious Sovereign, the King, and the Royal Family, are fully aware of the important position and the immense activity in good works of the Methodist church in Great Britain and the Greater Britain over seas. Last summer, in a private letter which was written by Lord Knollys at the desire of His Majesty, and which we were allowed to see, sentiments of high appreciation of Methodism were expressed. Nor is t at appreciation confined to words. Fifteen months ago H. R. H. Princess Louise opened the Queen Victoria Seamens Rest, built by Methodist money, in Poplar. So we are not surprised at the intelligence that the Heir Apparent and the Princess of Wales have graciously assented to give public evidence of the interest they have evinced in the great project of the Leysian Mission by opening in person the large hall of the new premises in City road on Monday afternoon, July 11."

IN THE END.

The road is rough and the day is cold,
And the landscape's sour and bare,
And the milestones, once such charming friends,
Half-hearted welcomes wear.
There's trouble before and trouble behind,
And a troublesome present to mend;
And the road goes up and the road goes down,
But it all comes right in the end.

The heart is sick and the heart is sore
For a heart to call its own;
And we scramble hard for the precious crumbs
Amongst the heaps of stone.
For a love's love, and a man's man,
Our gold's gold we would spend.
And the heart goes up and the heart goes down,
But it all comes right in the end.

The road goes up and the road goes down
To a desolate depth below,
And there's never a shred of the meanest robe
On the naked ones to go.
There's a heaven above, and a God of love,
And a Father who will fend—
And life goes up and life goes down—
But it all comes right in the end.

—Westminster Gazette.

RISIBILITIES.

"Is he a literateur?" "Oh, dear, no. Why, he's able to sell the stuff he writes."—Chicago Evening Post.

One redeeming feature of the situation is that a Mormon elder cannot refer to his wives as his "better half."—Washington Post.

"When may a woman be said to be happily married?" "Not until she has had the pleasure of refusing several men."—Detroit Free Press.

Stranger—Seems to me this crowded street is a queer place for a hospital. Native—Well, I don't know. Two trolley lines meet here.—New York Weekly.

SEEN AND UNSEEN

Many people think of Scott's Emulsion as merely a flesh builder, but its flesh building is only an outward sign of the new life-building process within the vital parts of the body.

It builds up the blood cells, the nerves and life tissues before the added flesh begins to appear.

Its unseen work is more important than the seen.

INVERTAVISH NURSERIES

A DENIAL

With reference to a card which has been circulated in this city recently, reading as follows:

Mr. P. T. James begs to advise all who have favored him with their orders in the past, that the entire stock now in the Invertavish Nurseries is being moved to more commodious premises of The Hopkins Carnation Co., Ltd., on St. Charles street. Mr. James and his staff accompany the stock and will continue in charge of the Floral Department. The business will, in future, be carried on under the name of THE HOPKINS CARNATION CO., LTD., to whom all accounts are now payable.

I wish to publicly and emphatically deny all the statement contained therein. The business of the Invertavish Nurseries is not being transferred to the St. Charles St. premises. The only stock being so transferred is what is left of the Cockrell stock.

The business at the Invertavish Nursery will continue to be carried on by me from the 1st of May next as heretofore, with a complete carefully selected and fully guaranteed stock, and I respectfully request all former customers to continue dealing with me at the Invertavish Nursery.

The circulation of the above card must have had for its object the drawing away of my customers by statements which are departures from the truth.

P. T. JAMES.
Invertavish Nursery, 7th, April, 1904.

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MAGIC CRYSTALS
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Prices now in stock, 50c., 75c., $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, $1.75 and $2.00 per yard.

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The favorite materials as shown in New York: Plain Piques, Reps, Welts, Oxfords and Noppe Linens.

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Skirt Waist Suits Made to Order, Seams all Bound

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Local News.

Rebuilding Hotel.—The Western hotel on Store street has been pulled down and is being rebuilt by James Auld for C. J. V. Spratt, the owner. The new building will be up to date in every particular, and rather larger than the old one.

Lumber Company Moving. — The Shawnigan Lake Lumber Company has purchased the two lots adjoining their premises on the corner of Government and Discovery streets. As these are on the route of the new car line the company is moving its offices to that corner. The remainder of the lots will be used as an extension of their yard.

Mrs. Lester's Classes.—For the balance of the season Mrs. Lester will hold all classes in (downstairs) A. O. U. W. hall. The closing dances will also be held in the same hall on the following dates: Cotillion club, evening April 27th; children's party, April 29th; adult classes, May 3rd; Friday class, May 6th.

In Chambers.—Yesterday morning, before the Hon. Mr. Justice Irving, in chambers the following applications were heard: Re Lenora Richards, deceased, Mr. Jay made application to fix amount of security. Bond in $60,000. Re Hugh Grieve, deceased. Mr. Rogers made application for letters of administration. Granted. Camsusa vs. Coigdarippe, Mr. Jay made application to settle minutes of order. Settled.

New City Wharf.—The city council is considering the advisability of building, a new wharf at the city electric lighting station, which can be used by the corporation for different purposes, and which will, it is thought, be the means of effecting considerable economy. It is understood an application for the privilege of building will shortly be made to the Dominion government.

Theatrical Bookings.—After Chas. B. Hanford's evening of the Shakespearean drama, but five bookings remain to close the 1903-04 season at the Victoria theatre. Al. G. Field's mastodon minstrels are here on the 26th inst., and Mary Mannering on the 29th. On the 9th and 10th of May, Klaw & Erlanger offer their notable musical comedy, "A Girl From Dixie"; to be followed on the 12th by the farce "McFadden's Flats," and on the 19th by the famous "Four Cohans" in their original success, "Running for Office," this being one of F. C. Niblo's best.

Primrose Sale.—Arrangements for the sale of work and "Dream of the Flowers" are now well nigh completed. Philharmonic hall will on Wednesday afternoon be the scene of another of those charming "at homes" in connection with which the ladies of the Reformed Episcopal church are proverbially famous. All sorts of good things will be displayed on tables, arranged artistically about the spacious room, fancy and plain work, candy and ice cream and other seasonable and appropriate articles. During the afternoon tea will be served for all comers at ten cents per head. The main attraction in the evening will, of course, be the operetta entitled "Dream of the Flowers" and "Parasol Drill." Children, and, indeed, grown-up people, are looking forward to this event, nor will they be disappointed, as the programme is going to hold the attention of every man, woman and child from beginning to end. The curtain is timed to rise at 8:30 sharp.

Ladies' Choral Concert.—Music lovers are promised a rare treat tomorrow night, when the members of the Ladies' Choral Society intend to give the first of a series of concerts in connection with their flourishing society. Starting with a considerable number of untrained voices, Mr. Watkis, the talented conductor, has brought the society to a state of perfection which will surprise those who gather to hear the ladies sing. The programme chosen is a most elaborate one, consisting of selections by such well-known composers as Raff, Hofmann, Grieg and Jensen. Mrs. W. E. Green, Mrs. F. B. Pemberton, Mrs. Gideon Hicks, Mrs. D. E. Campbell and Miss Leverson will assist the society, and the ladies of the society sincerely hope that the general public will take advantage of the concert and attend and so assist the society along. The work of the society, from an educational standpoint is simply invaluable, and the members are a unit in expressing their keen appreciation of Mr. Watkis' untiring efforts on behalf of the society.

The Edison.—The Boston Daily Globe has the following to say of Dr. Pepper's wonderful illusion, "Galatea, Pygmalion's Great Statue," to be produced by Curry and Allen next week at the Edison: "An illusion which recalls the beautiful Greek myth of Pygmalion and Galatea, only the woman is more beautiful than her sister of marble, is now being shown for a limited period here. As it is an entertainment which combines the weird and the beautiful, it cannot fail to attract and interest all. In plain view of the spectators, a marvelous statue of a woman turns into life. Smiles and glances tell that the transformation is real, showing how perfect is the deception. Mr. Curry, the manager, explains the changes as they occur." Besides the above, John C. Robisch and Mayme Childress, presenting the operatic comedy sketch, "When the Trouble Begins," which is replete with clean-cut comedy, high-class singing and elaborate costuming, will appear, and promise to be very entertaining. Mr. Walter Kellogg has a beautifully illustrated song, "Last Night as the Moon was Shining." Vera Moyer, a child artist, and a magnificent moving picture, "Lifesaving Crew of England Answering Distress Signals," will complete a programme, the management believe, the equal of which has never been seen here. Owing to the strong bill offered, matinees will be held daily this week at 2:45 p.m.

Men's Meeting.—Rev. H. A. Collinson, late of Cambridge, England, will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon. A hearty welcome is extended to strangers.

Social at Labor Hall.—A social will be held in place of the regular Socialist meeting in Labor hall this evening at 8 o'clock. Good music, songs, speeches, etc. Admission free.

Natural History.—The regular meeting of the Natural History Society of British Columbia will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the caucus room at the Parliament buildings. J. A. Anderson will read a paper entitled "An Account of a Trip up Mount Arrowsmith and What We Saw."

Split Wood Higher.—The wood dealers have advanced the price of split wood 25 cents per cord. The advance is owing to the action of the city council in passing section 3 of by-law: "No person shall saw, cut or split lumber cordwood or firewood upon any streets within the city limits."

Mysterious Fire.—The origin of the fire in the electric department of the navy yard early this week has not been determined. The board of enquiry which held an investigation into the cause of the blaze is said to have concluded that the fire started either from cross wires or from spontaneous combustion.

Fraternal Visit.—The regular meeting of Court Vancouver, A. O. F., to be held tomorrow evening in K. of P. hall, will be a very important one, as there will be a fraternal visit of the officers and members of Court Victoria, and also several initiations. After business for the evening there will be a social time and light refreshments will be served. All members are requested to make a special effort to be present.

A Presentation.—At the residence of R. H. Jameson, Oak Bay avenue, on Friday evening the choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church presented George J. Burnett with a handsome gold ring and Herbert Taylor with a splendid ebony gold-tipped baton, both of which were appropriately inscribed. The gifts were accompanied by addresses signed by the members of the choir.

The Fall Fair.—The canvass of the city, instituted some weeks ago by the B. C. Agricultural Association in the interest of the annual fall fair, has been almost completed. A liberal response was received from all citizens, and in consequence it is probable that the association will be in as good a financial condition before the show as in previous years, despite the reduction of the provincial government grant.

Saanich Municipality.—The directors of the Victoria District Farmers' Institute yesterday discussed the question of taking the initial steps in connection with organizing Saanich electoral district into a municipality. It was decided to circulate a petition for signatures among the ratepayers. This will be done at once. In South Saanich the feeling of the ratepayers has been ascertained to be strongly in favor of the proposition.

Fire at Ladysmith.—An alarming fire broke out on High street on Friday which resulted in the destruction of four small residences. The fire originated in the kitchen of a house belonging to Jos. Carpenter. The Queen's hotel was at one time in imminent danger, and as it was it was only saved with a scorching. The fire brigade was speedily on the scene, but it was some time before the hose could be brought into action, owing to an insufficient pressure of water. It is understood the buildings are covered by insurance. A very considerable loss is estimated.

Naval Militia.—In an address delivered at a banquet given in his honor at Montreal last week, Hon. Mr. Prefontaine gave considerable detail concerning the naval militia project, which is to cost $250,000. There will be three training ships, one in the St. Lawrence, one on the Great Lakes and one in British Columbia, with a permanent force of 400 men; but the government intends also to pass 2,000 men through a complete course, so as to have that number available for service. The vessels will be 17-knot armored cruisers with four guns each of latest pattern.

Gunnery Drill.—Special attention will be devoted to the gunnery drill by the officers and men of the Fifth Regiment during the next few weeks. General interest in this subject has been aroused by Capt. Gear, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, who delivered an instructive lecture in the Drill hall on Thursday evening. He was sent to Canada by the imperial government to coach the forces stationed at Halifax and Victoria on the new systems of handling modern guns. After spending the required time in the East, he came on here and will spend the next six weeks at Work Point.

Another Sham Fight.—The possibility of arranging for another sham battle, to take place at Mount Tolmie in the near future, is being discussed. Since the last manoeuvres Lieut.-Colonel English has been anxious to bring about a day's skirmishing between the garrison forces and the Fifth Regiment. His proposal is that the latter corps take up a position for the defence of Mount Tolmie, while the regulars make the attack. Whether this can be arranged is a question for conjecture, as, it is thought, there would be some difficulty in getting a good turn-out of the local volunteers on a holiday.

Drydock Busy.—The Shearwater was floated out of drydock on Thursday, and is now in readiness to proceed to Behring Sea when orders come assigning her to patrol duty during the sealing season. The Bonaventure still lies at anchor in the harbor. There have been no instructions given as yet about docking, but it is anticipated that she be placed on the blocks the week after next. The next vessel to occupy the dock, according to present expectations will be the Nome steamer Garonne, which is coming to Victoria for a cleaning and painting, there being no dock on the Sound large enough for her accommodation.

Housebreaker Arrested.—Acting on information received from Nanaimo Provincial Constable Johnson yesterday took into custody a man named Longbottom, who is wanted on the charge of housebreaking in the Nanaimo district. The police were notified of his departure on foot from the Coal City, and the constable early in the morning went out in a rig to look for him. He came upon his man just a little beyond Colwood station. He admitted that his name was Longbottom, but denied that he had done anything to cause his arrest beyond deserting from the army. He was conveyed to the city police station, where he will be detained pending instructions from Nanaimo.

Farewell Concert.—All arrangements for the complimentary farewell concert to Mr. G. J. Burnett in Institute hall on Tuesday evening next are complete. There is one thing, however, necessary to make this affair the great success it is desired to be, and that is for the citizens to attend the concert. Never before in the history of music in Victoria has their been brought together such an array of talent as have expressed their willingness to help. Hereunder is the list: Mrs. Gideon Hocks, Mrs. D. E. Campbell, Mrs. Wm. Gregson, Mrs. G. J. Burnett, Miss Queenie McCoy, Mrs. Wm. Gleason (elocutionist), Messrs. Herbert Kent, A. T. Goward, Wm. Hicks, Jesse Longfield, F. T. Watkis, Gideon Hicks, Wm. M. Allan (elocutionist), G. H. Larrigan, Herbert Taylor, E. C. B. Fawcett and J. G. Brown. Tickets can be purchased at many of the principal stores, members of the choir, of Ladies' Aid Society St. Andrew's church and others.

Won't Build.—Steve Jones has decided to defer building the addition to the Dominion hotel for the present.

Visiting Pastor.—The Rev. George Arnold, B. D., of Portage La Prairie, who is on a visit to the coast cities, will preach this evening in the First Presbyterian church. Mr. Arnold is one of Manitoba's popular preachers.

Senator Reid Ill.—Senator Reid left Ottawa for his home in British Columbia yesterday in a private car. He has been very ill since he went to Ottawa, and was not able to attend to his sessional duties.

Gives Recital.—Miss Maude Underhill will give a recital on Tuesday, April 26th, in Calvary Baptist church. Miss Underhill will give a number of new selections and will be assisted by well-known vocalists, whose names will be announced later.

New Lighthouse.—D. G. S. Quadra will be sent to the West coast of this island as soon as she returns with building material for the new lighthouse to be built on Leonard island. This station is to be one of the finest on the coast, and it will have a light that will be seen for probably twenty miles at sea.

C. O. F. Ball.—The Companions of the Forest annual ball will take place Tuesday evening, April 19th, at the A. O. U. W. hall. The hall is being beautifully decorated for the occasion. The Davies orchestra will furnish the music, and judging by the demand for tickets the event will be a success. Preparations are also being made for a very appetizing supper, which should complete the enjoyment of the evening.

Struck Trial Island.—In the heavy fog Friday morning the Dominion steamer Georgia ran ashore on a rock on the northeastern side of Trial island. The vessel was bound for New Westminster at the time, after having taken C. B. Sword, fishery inspector, down to Victoria. Returning to the Fraser the fog was very dense, and the little steamer, though traveling cautiously along, got in too close to shore. No damage was sustained so far as known, and the steamer proceeded to New Westminster.

Influx of Homeseekers.—Three lots at Oak Bay were acquired a short time since by a clergyman from the Territories, who visited Victoria last summer, and who wants to secure a site for a home as soon as he is ready to retire. An acquaintance of his is now in the city negotiating for a home on his own account, while quite a number of contracts have already been let for people from the Territories and Manitoba. Each of these is a zealous missionary for the place, and the ultimate effect on the city will be very marked.

Busy Fishermen.—Yesterday's E. & N. trains were crowded with enthusiastic fishermen bound for different points along the line. An exceptionally large number went to Sooke, fishing at that lake having been reported excellent Others journeyed to Shawnigan and Somenos lakes, while some got off at Cowichan river, where splendid sport is to be enjoyed. The train left at 4 instead of 3 o'clock, as heretofore. This will be a great convenience to fishermen. It is announced that the suburban services will be started at an early date.

At Fort Macaulay. — Arrangements have been made that members of the Fifth Regiment will receive instruction at Fort Macaulay on Saturday afternoons at 3 o'clock. The provisional school for officers, N. C. O.'s and men of the regiment will probably commence at the end of June. Instruction will probably be given two evenings of the week in the drill hall and on Saturday afternoons in Fort Macaulay. N. C. O.'s and men who intend attending this school will hand in their names to the officer commanding their respective companies.

Victoria Day.—All the ships of His Majesty's British Pacific squadron will be in Esquimalt, it is expected, during the celebration of Victoria day. The flagship, en route from the southern coast, will arrive on or about the 25th of this month; the Flora, which went up to Comox a few days ago to finish target practice, will return towards the end of the month; the Egeria, out on survey work, will be back in the harbor to spend the holiday in port, and the Bonaventure and Shearwater are not likely to leave until after the late Queen's birthday.

Excursion to Tacoma.—A meeting of the secretaries of the different companies of the Fifth Regiment will be held on Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock in the Drill hall. Business in connection with the proposed regimental excursion to Tacoma will be considered. As is generally known the proceeds of the Paardeberg entertainment, which was held some time ago, were intended to defray the expenses of the undertaking. Unfortunately it was afterwards ascertained that there would not be enough money from this source for the purpose, and Tuesday's meeting is called to discover the sentiment of the regiment as to whether the proposed outing shall be abandoned or an effort made to secure more funds.

"Made in Canada" Fair.—The secretary of the "Made in Canada" fair has received a letter from Agnes Maude Macher (Fidelis), who, for many years, was one of the best known Canadian authors. An extract from the letter runs as follows: "I hope the fair will be successful. I owe Victoria something for the pleasure I had during a week's visit there nearly two years ago, so I am glad to have an opportunity of paying a portion of the debt. * * * I almost envy you the glorious views of sea and mountain, and the mildness of the climate, especially in contrast with the cold, long snow and beleaguered winter from which we have scarcely parted yet." Miss Macher writes from her home in Kingston, Ont., and is sending several signed copies of her own works to the bookstall at the fair.

Pastor Entertained.—Says the Vancouver Ledger.—There was a merry social gathering at the St. James' church school house when the ladies of the church gave a reception in honor of Rev. R. Baskett, who has been in Vancouver for six weeks, and is about to leave for Victoria. Though Mr. Baskett was a stranger to the majority of the people there, there were a number of old friends who were delighted to see and talk to their old pastor again. For Mr. Baskett came to British Columbia in 1872 before Vancouver existed, and left for the Old Country in 1882, where he was appointed vicar of Birsmith, Yorkshire. He is now taking a year's holiday, and is making a tour through Canada under the auspices of the S. P. G. He will return again to Vancouver after a short visit to Victoria.

Hanford's "Shylock."—Says the Los Angeles Times of Mr. Charles Hanford, who will present "The Merchant of Venice" here on Tuesday evening: "Mr. Hanford and company present a really fine performance of 'Richard III.' Mr. Hanford, in his portrayal of the psychologically interesting, though morally repulsive, role of Richard, Duke of Gloucester, evinces a keen appreciation of its spiritual intricacies and its dramatic possibilities. His portrayal has much realistic intensty. It breathes the inner spirit of the character to a remarkable degree. Mr. Hanford's long familiarity with the Shakespearean roles has evidently imbued him with the spirit that pervades them—or such of them as he essays—for his work in each is almost without a false note. In striking contrast, too, is his elaboration of the character of Richard, when compared to his Shylock, or to the rollicking, all-convincing Petruchio. Mr. Hanford's distinct success in the portrayal of each of these widely divergent characters stamps him beyond all question as an artist of much versatility. This verdict is amply confirmed by his almost equal success in numerous other roles of his repertoire."

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Mr. W. T. Williams will leave for the East to select the new stock of "Semi-Ready" Clothing which the firm intends to carry exclusively after this date. Now is the time for bargains in clothing and anyone wanting a Boys' Youths or Gentleman's Spring or Summer Suit, Overcoat or Raincoat should not let this chance slip by, as this sale is genuine, the bargains speaking for themselves, all goods being marked in plain figures. Fifty cases of Straw, Palm and Panama Hats were also added to the stock last week and will be converted into cash without delay.

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LACROSSE.

Annual Meeting at Vancouver.

Vancouver, April 16.—(Special)—The annual meeting of the British Columbia Amateur Lacrosse Association was held here today, with Westminster, Victoria and Vancouver represented. There was considerable trouble over last year's championship question, and President Ryall's report not being accepted, he immediately resigned and left the room.

Finally by a vote of 5 to 3, the association declared that the disputed game of August 29th was a drawn game, and shall be played off on May 14th on grounds to be decided on.

President Ryall's ruling awarding the championship to Westminster was not accepted. If Westminster wins the match on May 14th the deciding game for the championship will be played off in Victoria before June 7th.

Regarding the playing of exhibition matches with Washington teams, it wac decided that if there were any professionals on those teams a protest should be lodged with the referee against such players, and the match proceeded with.

A committee was appointed to go over and report on rules and regulations.

The officers elected for the ensuing years are: Hon. president, A. Morrison, M. P., New Westminster; president, A. E. Suckling, Vancouver; first vice president, J. Mellis Victoria; second vice president, R. Jardine, New Westminster; secretary-treasurer, A. W. Gray, New Westminster; official referees, Burns and Quigley, Vancouver; Cheyne and Lynch, New Westminster; Tite and Snider, Victoria.

The Schedule.

May 14—Drawn game, Vancouver vs. Westminster.
May 24—Vancouver at Victoria.
June 4—Deciding championship 1903 game.
June 11—Vancouver at Westminster.
June 18—Victoria at Westminster.
June 25—Westminster at Vancouver.
July 1—Victoria at Vancouver.
July 9—Westminster at Victoria.
July 16—Vancouver at Victoria.
July 30—Victoria at Vancouver.
August 6—Vancouver at Westminster.
August 20—Westminster at Vancouver.
September 3—Victoria at Westminster.
September 10—Vancouver at Victoria.

Everything was amicable before the meeting broke up.

BASKETBALL.

Juniors Play a Great Game.

Before a rather small audience at the Drill hall last night, one of the fastest games of basketball played in the hall this season was seen between the Cloverdale and Y. M. C. A. juniors. The game was most evenly contested, and twenty minutes extra time had to be played before the winning shot was made by Gawley for the Y. M. C. A. team. The play all round was very fast and the checking very keen, the phenomenal number of 22 free shots being awarded during the full hour's play. Charlie Fairall proved a most impartial and fair referee, but some of the decisions of the umpire, Jim Lorimer, were open to criticism. Many of them were objected to in no unmeasured manner by the visitors. However, on the number of goals scored the Y. M. M. C.'s were by far the better team, as they scored three goals to Cloverdale's one.

At the end of half time the score was six to five in favor of the Y. M. C. A., Gawley scoring two goals and two free shots being converted. On the other side Dakers scored one goal, the only one scored his side during the match, and three free shots being converted.

When time was called the score was 8 all, all the points in the second half being obtained from free shots. Both teams, tired and all as they must have been, agreed to play the game out, and after a hot twenty minutes, as before stated, Gawley made the winning goal in a scene of the wildest enthusiasm among the winning team's supporters.

Cloverdale were the challenging team, and the terms were that the winners were to take the whole of the players' share of the gate money.

Proposed Ladies' Game.

A game has been proposed to be played between the Vancouver and Victoria ladies' clubs, and some of the Vancouver papers have referred to the manner in which the home ladies play as childish, etc. Unfortunately for this contention, the teams here play under the recognized rules for ladies, and have no intention of appearing in bloomers and being knocked about in a horse play game. There is no doubt that the local team will willingly play Vancouver under the proper rules, but no one can blame them for refusing to play under the ordinary men's rules.

GOLF.

Last Day's Play.

Yesterday the finals of the golf championships were played off at the Oak Bay links. Beautiful weather again favored the players, and, taken all round, the meet just completed has been one of the most successful ever held on the Pacific coast. Last evening a banquet was tendered the visitors, who have spent a most enjoyable week in the city.

Mr. R. L. McLeay won the open championship, defeating Mr. Ayer. Mrs. Burton won the ladies' open championship, defeating Mrs. Langley. Mrs. Carston won the ladies' open handicap; Mrs. P. Lampman second.

Mrs. and Miss Langley won the ladies' foursomes; Mrs. Coomb and Mrs. Burton second.

In the open handicap for gentlemen Messrs. Garrett and Burton tied for first place. Mr. Newton made the best drive, Mr. Ayer second, in the gentlemen's conest, and Miss Langley the best drive for ladies, 155 yards, which, seeing that Miss Langley is only a beginner, is considered very good.

Capt. Davidson and Miss Langley won the mixed foursomes in 86, which is a record for the Oak Bay links, and was a distinctly creditable performance. Mr. Newton and Miss Garrett were second. Miss King won for the best average putting.

ATHLETICS.

A special general meeting of the members of the J. B. A. A. will be held on Friday next, the 22nd inst., for the purpose of discussing the holding of a local field day in preparation for the annual meeting of the N. P. A. A. A. in Vancouver in July next.

The following were elected members of the J. B. A. A. at the regular monthly meeting of the committee of management, held last Tuesday: Frank C. Clarke, W. H. Battersby, Harold H. Brown, Basil G. Prior, Henry M. Johnson, Leva Ianonville, T. C. Briggs, T. A. Briggs, J. J. E. Corbet, R. E. N. Jones.

THE RIFLE.

The Fifth Regiment, C. A., Rifle Association held their first practice of the season at Clover Point rifle range yesterday afternoon, when some very good scores were made. The weather was all that could be desired, with the possible exception of the light at the 600 yards, which was a trifle annoying, especially to the younger shots. The turnout was very gratifying, there being 48 members taking part. Color Sergt.-Major McDougall put on the possible, seven bull's-eyes, at 500 yards; his sighting shot was also a bull's-eye.

The following are a few of the best scores made:

Mr. A. R. Langley	94
Color Sergt.-Major McDougall	92
Color Sergt.-Major Guest, R. E.	89
Sergt. F. Richardson	87
Gr. Walt. Winsby	87
Color Sergt.-Major Caven	86
Sergt. J. A. Anderton	84
Capt. A. W. Currie	81
Corporal A. Brayshaw	79
Mr. Pook, R. N.	79
Gr. R. Parker	78
Corporal Simpson, R. E.	78
Capt. D. B. McConnan	77
Quartermaster-Sergt. Clark, R. E.	74
Gr. E. T. Lawrie	72
Gr. R. T. Strachan	70

PERSONALS.

J. M. Ruffner of Ancienate, and E. M. Baron of Atlin, came over from the mainland last night and are registered at the Driard.

John Cain of Port Angeles is a guest at the Driard.

Mrs. C. H. Gibbons, Miss Anita and Master Roderick Gibbons arrived over from Vancouver last evening. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons are again taking up their residence in Victoria.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

Sir,—While I welcome fair discussion as to the opinions which I have ventured to express in your columns regarding educational matters in British Columbia, I think some of the strictures pronounced on those opinions have been rather unfair and abusive. For instance, Mr. W. A. Robertson, who appears to pose as the only truth-teller on this question, favors me with the sundry flowers of rhetoric. Amongst other savory epithets he calls me a "would-be aristocrat," and says that I have gratuitously insulted certain people by venturing to say that, in my opinion, government schools are charity schools. The opinions of this gentleman, coupled with his abuse, would be beneath notice were it not for his claim to exclusive veracity, by ignoring the validity of which I might hurt his feelings. I have no doubt he thinks the word "aristocrat" the most approbrious of all his choice collection as presented in the Times. I may tell him that while I have made no claim whatever to belong to the class distinguished by that name, ("Let the galled Jade wince. My withers are unrung.") if I did belong to it I should not be ashamed of the fact because it is, in my opinion, a class which in all respects compares very favorably, indeed, with that class which rejoices in the membership of Mr. Robertson.

As to the accusation of insult, even if the civil expression of an opinion can be distorted into insult, I venture to think that it is not my habit to offer gratuitous insult to anyone and I deny that I have done so in this case

In the Colonist of the 14th "Britisher" attacks the policy, advocated, as he says, by "one or two" of stopping the supplies until the school system is more economically administered as being cowardly. (the "one or two" to judge by the poll seems a low estimate) and says that the "one or two" are attacking the people whom they themselves elected and should make their views felt in the assembly. That is just the point. Those who pay most of the school rate are unable, under our unjust franchise laws, to give effect to their views in the assembly. They therefore use their only weapon left them in defence of their property, by stopping the supplies until, and only until, the abuses of the system are investigated. Cowardice is hardly the right word. We are only attempting to do what "Britisher" advises. To reduce the amount of the "ever increasing" bill, to some reasonable limit, because as he says, "it is clear that property cannot stand much more."

Mr. H. H. Jones seems to think that the parents of the school children are the only people to be consulted. A truly noble suggestion. Let us then submit the vegetarian question to the judgment of our butchers and that of abolition to our publicans and all will be well.

The parents will, no doubt, come into line and vote for the restriction of a system which enables them to draw upon the purses of their neighbors for the education of their children. As to his exposition of the system as a "saving bank one." It is quite beyond me, but I should say grab your neighbor's money bank would be a fitter name. In my opinion the system as applied to British Columbia is a very flagrant example of the Socialistic attack on all property which is being carried on in most countries at present. It is, to my mind, the logical consequence of a debased franchise, which latter is the outcome of the contest for power and office between political parties and between professional politicians.

I am quite aware that it is hopeless to think of extinguishing our school system. But I do think that if property owners and others interested choose, before it is too late, to combine and exert themselves, they may bring to bear upon the legislature and municipal authorities sufficient pressure to force them to regulate the educational expenditure within reasonable limits.

Again I say then, until this is done let us in Victoria refuse to vote a farthing more on any consideration.

EDWARD MUSGRAVE.

MUSICAL VICTORIA.

Sir,—There are abundant signs of great musical activity in Victoria at the present time, and it is a source of unbounded satisfaction to every lover of good music that this activity prevails. But it is not so much the activity itself as the encouraging results from that activity that concerns us at present.

Victoria has always been considered, and with just cause, a musical city, but from some reason or other, into which it is not necessary to enquire at present, there has been a decided slump in music for the past year or two. It is true that we had the big festival about twelve months ago, when the opportunity of making the acquaintance of that great English conductor, Sir Alexander Mackenzie, was afforded us, but it seems almost as though the effort was but spasmodic, and that the intelligent interest in music was waning until a few months ago, when two musical organizations sprang into existence. We allude to the "Victoria Amateur Orchestral Society," and the "Victoria Ladies' Choral Society." Of course, it must not be forgotten that the "Arion Club" is still in existence and has been flourishing for quite a number of years, but that organization has used its undoubted influence in so to speak, rather an exclusive direction, if their genial conductor will pardon the expression of opinion.

The new "Orchestral Society," on the contrary, will, by its very nature, appeal to all classes of the community, and will exercise a very great influence in promoting, not only the love, but the intelligent appreciation of the highest form of music.

This society has been hard at work rehearsing for the last four months to prepare for the first concert which takes place next Thursday evening, and judging from the quality of the work in their rehearsal last Thursday, their popular conductor, Mr. Watkis, must have accomplished wonders with the material to hand in such a short space of time.

The society is, indeed, to be congratulated on having such a capable and earnest musician at its head, and there is little doubt that the organization will become a great power for good in the musical world of the Pacific Coast. Mention was made of another organization as having "arrived,"—"The Victoria Ladies' Choral Society,"—and it is a pleasure to record their doings. Instituted at about the same time as the "Orchestral Society," the ladies have been studiously rehearsing ever since, and will give the result of their efforts tomorrow (Monday) evening. Although such a young society, the "Ladies' Choral" may be considered as a sort of counter-poise to the "Arion," and may most certainly be expected to give a good account of themselves. Taken altogether, the musical life of the city of Victoria is decidedly "loooking up" and it is hoped that such an eminently satisfactory state of things may long continue.

MUSICIAN.

THE SCHOOL BY-LAW.

Sir,—After the decisive opinion of the ratepayers of Victoria as to the policy and methods of the Board of School Trustees, as evidenced in the recent vote, public opinion, I think, calls for the resignation of the chairman, Board and City Superintendent. If they are re-elected, well and good; but there is no doubt the public has lost faith in them.

Among the items submitted for their approval at their last meeting, I notice a roller required for the lawn tennis grounds of the faculty at the high school, and $45 for the Encyclopedia Brittannica at the same institution. Comment is unnecessary.

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PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Charmer from Vancouver: T. A. Cross, R. J. Case, Miss Field, Mrs. F. Patching, A. Harvey, K. Campbell, R. E. Davey, E. McGowan, F. T. Sherbourne, D. B. Shaw, S. G. Taylor, Mrs. H. Smith, Howard Smith, H. Northcotte, G. A. Keefer, Miss. W. Bucket, E. A. Schofield, J. Clegg, Mrs. S. J. Hagen, A. G. Sargison, Miss Lawson, J. Ferguson, Dr. O. M. Jones, A. W. Windle, F. James, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Wilson, J. Richardson, S. P. Moody, W. J. Mackenzie, J. H. Gray, A. Cook, R. D. Munro, J. Coughlan, Chief Justice Hunter, A. Gray, W. H. Leishman, C. F. Jeffy, H. Buckling, A. Anderson, A. C. Grantham, Mrs. J. N. Moore, D. F. Smith.

Passengers per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle: Mrs. Eaton, Mrs. Jos. Simon, Miss Maudelslop, P. J. Godson, A. Bodwell, Mrs. Robertson, A. B. Brown P. H. Brown, P. C. McGregor, Geo. Florence, Mrs. Condit, C. L. Koesche, Angus Campbell, Mr. McClelland, Mrs. McClelland, Mrs. Donnely, F. W. Stevenson, Robt. Croft, E. L. Gardiner, Mrs. Noble, Frank Turner, Ralph Abbott, M. J. Schwartz, H. D. Gordon.

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I am not one of those who believe that the London theatre managers are frequently offered masterpieces, which they wilfully reject. I don't believe in the existence of the existence of the masterpieces. I don't think they stand a chance of being born until men of parts find more encouragement to turn heir talents in the direction of the theatre; but I am equally convinced that the men who are making theatrical life on the Continent worth living would be doing something else if their governments left the fate of the theatre wholly in private hands.—Miss Elizabeth Robins in the Review of Reviews.

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ACT I.

Scene I. .... King Humbert's Palace
Scene II. .... Goodwill's Cottage in Haunted Forest.

ACT II.

Scene 1. ..... Roseland Castle
Scene II. ..... Goodwill's Cottage

ACT III.

Scene ..... Roseland Castle

CAST.

King Humbert....Mr. Percy Sallaway
Prince Rudolph.....Mr. Horace Walls
Prince Ethelbert.....Mr. Harry Price
Cedric (the dwarf prince)..... ..... Mr. Arthur Ward
Goodwill (a forester)....Mr. C. Graham
Princess Rosebud....Miss M. Penketh
Smileall (fairy queen)...Miss G. Fulton
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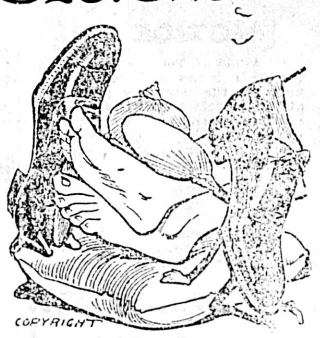

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Beans, per lb	5
Cabbage, per lb.	3½
Cauliflower, per head	10
Onions, per lb	5
Carrots, per lb	1½ to 2
Beet root, per lb.	8
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Potatoes	$1.25
Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	25
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Cheese—	
Best Ontario Cheese, per lb.	20
California cheese, per lb.	25
Canadian, per lb.	20
Butter—	
Australian butter, per lb.	30
Manitoba, per lb.	25
Best dairy, per lb	20 to 25
Victoria creamery, per lb	35
Cowichan creamery, per lb	35
Delta	35
Fresh Island	35
Fruits—	
Cooking figs	10
Figs, lb.	20
Valencia raisins	12½
New cleaned currants, best Patras	12½
Best Sultanas	20
Table raisins	25 to 35
Rhubarb, 3 lbs for	25
Bananas, per dozen	25 to 35
Oranges, per dozen	15 to 25
New dates	12½
Cocoanuts, each	10
New navel oranges, dozen	10 to 25
Lemons, California, per doz.	25
Local apples, per box	$1.25 to $2
Currants, per lb	10 to 12½
Raisins per lb	12½
Malaga raisins	40
Sultanas	17½
California	12½
Loose Muscats	8 to 10
Mixed peel, per lb	15
Jams, Assorted—	
Cross & Blackwell's, 1-lb. jars	25
Local jams, 5-lb. pails	75
Local jams, 2-lb jars	35
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Poultry—	
Dressed fowls	20 to 25
Fish—	
Smoked salmon, per lb	15
Spring salmon, per lb	10
Cod, per lb	6
Halibut, per lb	8
Smoked Halibut	15
Halibut, frozen	6
Flounders	6
Finnan Haddock, per lb.	15
Crabs, per dozen	50 to 75
Bloaters	10
Kippers	12½
Salt mackerel, each	15
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Salmon bellies, per lb	12½
Meats—	
Beef	10 to 18
Mutton, per lb	12½ to 17
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Pork	11 to 17

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Now, bear in mind, you breathe Catarrhozone. Do you not think this is a rational treatment—a certain way of reaching the diseased surfaces which lie so far from the cavity of the body or of the head that they can be reached in no other way.

You can not possibly fail to obtain quick cure from any of these maladies if you use Catarrhozone.

All dealers in medicine sell Catarrhozone. Trial 25c., complete outfit $1.00, which will last two months, and is guaranteed to cure permanently. Sent postpaid to any address by N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., and Hartford, Conn., U.S.A.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., April, 1904.

(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date	Day	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
		h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	F.	2:58	8.1	9:42	2.9	16:08	7.2	21:42	4.5
2	Sa.	3:27	8.2	10:30	2.4	17:18	7.0	22:23	5.2
3	S.	3:55	8.2	11:20	2.1	18:39	6.9	23:09	5.9
4	M.	4:22	8.1	12:13	2.0	20:34	6.9		
5	T.	0:04	6.4	4:48	7.8	13:08	2.0	22:23	7.0
6	W.	1:13	6.8	5:12	7.6	14:04	2.2	23:40	7.2
7	Th.	2:48	6.9	5:30	7.1	15:01	2.4		
8	F.	0:33	7.3					15:56	2.8
9	Sa.	1:10	7.3					16:49	3.0
10	S.	1:30	7.2	7:36	5.9	10:30	6.0	17:39	3.3
11	M.	1:10	7.1	7:40	5.5	11:54	6.0	18:25	3.6
12	Tu.	1:19	7.2	7:53	5.0	13:04	6.1	19:07	3.9
13	W.	1:34	7.3	8:12	4.4	13:57	6.3	19:44	4.2
14	Th.	1:51	7.5	8:37	3.8	14:46	6.5	20:18	4.5
15	F.	2:11	7.6	9:06	3.3	15:36	6.6	20:51	4.8
16	Sa.	2:34	7.7	9:40	2.7	16:30	6.7	21:24	5.3
17	S.	2:58	7.8	10:19	2.3	17:29	6.7	21:58	5.7
18	M.	3:22	7.9	11:03	1.9	18:36	6.8	22:34	6.2
19	Tu.	3:47	7.9	11:51	1.7	19:52	6.8	23:15	6.6
20	W.	4:13	7.9	12:43	1.5	21:28	7.0		
21	Th.	0:10	6.9	4:41	7.7	13:39	1.5	22:34	7.1
22	F.	1:36	7.0	5:17	7.5	14:36	1.7	23:09	7.2
23	Sa.	3:10	6.8	6:23	7.1	15:32	2.0	23:33	7.3
24	S.	4:37	6.3	8:12	6.5	16:27	2.5	23:55	7.4
25	M.	5:49	5.5	10:31	6.2	17:21	2.9		
26	Tu.	0:17	7.5	6:45	4.6	12:08	6.2	18:13	3.5
27	W.	0:41	7.7	7:29	3.7	13:32	6.4	19:03	4.1
28	Th.	1:07	7.9	8:11	2.7	14:44	6.6	19:50	4.7
29	F.	1:38	8.1	8:52	1.9	15:50	6.8	20:33	5.3
30	Sa.	2:02	8.4	9:32	1.4	16:53	6.9	21:13	5.8

Zero of above heights corresponds to 11 feet in the fairway of Victoria harbor.

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120 Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

ESQUIMALT.

For time of high water add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria.

Esquimalt (at Dry Dock)—From observations during six months, May to October, compared with simultaneous observations continued at Victoria by Mr. F. Napier

T. N. Hibben & Co. are agents for Jones & Co.'s photographs.

WHOLESALE PRODUCE.

Local jobbers are offering the following prices for produce f.o.b. dock, Victoria:

Hay, Fraser river, per ton	$15.00
Hay, Island, per ton	17.00
Straw, per ton	10.00
Oats, per ton	25.00
Barley, per ton	27.00
Wheat, per ton	30.00
Potatoes, per ton	25.00
Onions, per sack, 100 pounds	3.50

Piles To prove to you that Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain and absolute cure for each and every form of itching, bleeding and protruding piles, the manufacturers have guaranteed it. See testimonials in the daily press and ask your neighbors what they think of it. You can use it and get your money back if not cured. 60c a box, at all dealers or EDMANSON, BATES & Co., Toronto.

Dr. Chase's Ointment

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN

Nice new six-roomed cottage. All modern conveniences. May be had on installment plan.

H. J. KNOTT, 18 Caledonia ave.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

Sewer Rental and Sewer Construction Tax.

Public notice is hereby given that under the provisions of "The Sewer By-Law, 1902," the roll for the year 1904, has been prepared and filed in my office, showing the owner of lands and real property fronting upon each branch, main, or common sewer, or drain laid in the city of Victoria, and showing the number of feet frontage of the land of each owner so fronting, and giving the name and address of each owner, and also giving the amounts each one is assessed in respect to sewer rental and sewer connection tax, which are to be paid according to the said By-Law. Any person whose name appears therein may petition the Council in manner hereinafter mentioned, viz: "Any person dissatisfied with the number of feet frontage with which he is assessed upon such roll, whether upon the ground that the measurement is incorrect, or that the land and real property are not liable to taxation or are inequitably assessed under the provisions of this By-Law, may, not later than the 1st day of April in each year petition the Council for an alteration in such roll, and shall state his grounds for requiring an alteration."

CHAS. KENT,
Treasurer and Collector.

City Treasurer and Collector's Office, City Hall, Victoria, B. C.

An extension of the time by which petitions of appeal as above may be received is granted until the 25th day of April, A. D. 1904.

CHAS. KENT,
Treasurer and Collector.

NOTICE.

Thirty days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease of Trial Islands, Victoria District, and marked with notice posts J. S. P.

J. S. PEARCE,

Victoria, March 14th, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the License Commissioners at the next sitting of their board, for a transfer of the license issued in my name for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors by retail at the Victoria Theatre Building, Imperial Hotel, on View and Douglas streets, in the City of Victoria, to Jacob J. Schmidt, of the said City of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, this 14th day of March, 1904.

JOHN H. GOSNELL.

RHEUMATISM

Mr. C. Little, 404 Symington avenue, Toronto, driver for Dunlop, the Florist, writes: "I was so badly crippled with rheumatism, that owing to swelling, soreness and pain, I could not get my boots on, and walked with great difficulty. I got a bottle of Griffiths Menthol Liniment, which gave me relief at once and speedily cured me. I can highly recommend it." Large bottles 25 cents. Special size 75 cents.

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Truck, Dray and General Teaming Done.
J. E. PAINTER.
Office, 21 Cormorant Street.
Residence, 17 Pine street, Victoria West.
Telephone 428.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

LIVINGSTON THOMPSON, DECEASED.

Pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, I, Edith Mary Gillies Thompson, of the City of Victoria, British Columbia, the widow of the said deceased, hereby give notice that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of the late Livingston Thompson, formerly Captain in (11th) Prince Albert's Own Hussars, who died on or about the 9th day of January, 1904, and of whose estate letters of administration with the will annexed, were duly issued to me out of the Victoria Registry of the Supreme Court of British Columbia on the 17th day of March, 1904, are hereby required to send particulars in writing of their claims to me on or before the 20th day of April, 1904, after which date I shall proceed to distribute the assets of the said Livingston Thompson amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which I shall then have had notice, and I will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim I shall not have had notice at the time of distribution.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 20th day of March, 1904.

EDITH MARY GILLIES THOMPSON,
Of 76 Cook Street, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886, Chapter 92.

Proposed Construction of Wharf at the Port of Victoria, B. C.

Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886, Chapter 92, the undersigned by Petition dated this day has applied to the Governor in Council for approval of the area plan and site of wharf and works proposed to be constructed on and over the foreshore and submerged lands adjoining or abutting on Lots 8 and 12, Lime Bay, Victoria, B. C., a plan of the said proposed works and a description by metes and bounds of the foreshore and submerged lands has been deposited with the Minister of Public Works, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B. C.

Victoria, B. C., March 12th, 1904

C. W. KIRK.

Notice is hereby given that three months after date application will be made to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by J. W. Mellor & Co., Limited, to change the name of the company to "The Melrose Co., Limited."

McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD,
Solicitors for the Company.

February 9th, 1904.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within the tract of land bounded on the south by the southern boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 30th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

Certificate of Re-Incorporation.

I hereby certify that "The Albion Iron Works Company, Limited," has this day been re-incorporated and registered as "The Albion Iron Works Company, Limited," under section 5 of the "Companies Act, 1897," as a Limited Company, with a capital of five hundred thousand dollars, divided into five thousand shares of one hundred dollars each.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 9th day of March, one thousand nine hundred and four.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The following are the objects for which the Company has been incorporated:

For the purpose of carrying on a general brass and iron foundry business in the Province of British Columbia, as also for the manufacture of stoves, agricultural implements, and all classes of engines, boilers, machinery, railway material, and the dealing in all kinds of metal goods, including importation of iron and all materials incident to the carrying on the said business; and to erect and own blast furnaces for the purpose of smelting iron ore and to acquire lands for the purpose of extracting iron ore and for the purpose of building and repairing ships of wood or iron, in any part of the province of British Columbia; and for the purpose of building or acquiring and owning marine ship-ways for the purpose of repairing ships of wood or iron in any part of the provence of British Columbia, and acquiring by purchase or otherwise of the land necessary for carrying on the said business.

TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders will be received up to 12 noon of Saturday, 16th inst., for brick building to be erected on the Esquimalt road, for a Boys' Protectorate for the Sisters of St. Ann.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of

HOOPER & WATKINS,
Architects.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

LePETIT CRYSTAL THEATRE

Programme Week Commencing April 11th.

LANE AND SUZINETTI—Roman Gladiators, in their Broadsword Contest and Cannon Ball Juggling Act. The only female broadsword combatist in America. Richard K. Fox offers $1,000 to anyone producing her equal in beauty, form and strength.

DASEY & CHASE—In a novelty and comedy sketch: "The Professor and the Silly Kid," exposing many of the mysteries of magic, by the professor and the kid.

LEN SPENCER—the highest salaried baritone in the Northwest, singing: "Trust Him Not, the Fortune Teller Said," illustrated.

New list of moving pictures.

VICTORIA THEATRE

TUESDAY, APRIL 19th.
Engagement of the Eminent Actor
MR. CHARLES B. HANFORD
Accompanied by MISS MARIE DROFNAH
In a magnificent production of the Great Comedy
THE MERCHANT OF VENICE.
Prices $1.50, $1.00, 75c., 50c., gallery 25c.
Seats on sale Saturday, April 16th at Waitt's Music Store, Government St.

THE EDISON THEATRE

James H. Errickson, Propr. and Mgr.
Programme, Week of April 18th, 1904.
The extraordinary attraction
"GALATEA."
Pygmalion's Wonderful Statue and Dr. Pepper's Mystery. The illusion that Paris and London went wild over.
VERA MOYER—Song and dance artist.
ROBISCH & CHILDRESS—In the operatic comedy sketch, "When the Trouble Begins."
MR. WALTER KELLOGG—Illustrated song, "Last Night as the Moon Was Shining."
Moving Pictures: "Life-Saving Crew of England Answering Distress Signals."
NOTICE—Owing to the extraordinary attractions offered matinees will be given daily at 2:45 p.m.

Cowichan Laundry

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Clothes Cleaned and Pressed.

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One-half Freight Charges Paid by Laundry.

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1 CENT WORD ISSUE — No Advertisement Inserted for Less Than 25c. — 1 CENT WORD ISSUE

WANTED—MALE HELP.

WANTED—Good smart boy to learn the drug business. Apply F. W. Fawcett, corner Douglas street and King's road. a17

WANTED—An errand boy. Apply to C. E. Redfern, 43 Government street. a17

WANTED—Chocolate dipper and confectionery clerk. Palace of Sweets. a16

TEACHER WANTED—For Hornby Island Public School. Apply at once. Geo. Heatherbell, Hornby Island. a10

WANTED—Five boys wanted at the British America Paint Co. a15

WANTED—Boilermakers and experienced helpers. Willamette Boiler Works, Portland, Oregon. a14

WANTED—The Great West Life Assurance Co. desire to secure the services of an energetic, active man for the position of Inspector of Agencies in British Columbia. Only those who can furnish references as to fitness for the position and integrity of character need apply. Geo. H. Halse, manager for B. C., Inns of Court building, Vancouver. a13

WANTED—A live energetic man for soliciting and collecting. Salary and commission. Apply "H. B.," Colonist. m22

WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

WANTED—General servant. Apply 80 Henry street, corner Rock Bay avenue.

WANTED—An energetic woman capable of earning liberal terms address "Capable," Colonist office. a16

WANTED—Experienced sales lady for corset and underwear department. Apply B. Colonist office. a13

WANTED—Three nurse maids, light housework. Good wages. 1 Richardson St.

WANTED—Mother's help, and two general servants; (city), and Victoria West. 1 Richardson street. a10

WANTED—Nursery governess for two, under 12 years. Music, English and French. 1 Richardson street. a10

WANTED—House parlor maid; experienced. Good references. Age 26 to 30. 1 Richardson street. a10

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—French poodle from 25 Harrison street. Reward offered. a17

LOST—A Scotch terrier answering to the name of "Garry." Return to Mair, Sayward's wharf today a17

FOR SALE—PROPERTY.

FOR SALE—Small sound horse; also good family cow, making nine pounds of butter a week. McAnally, Mt. Tolmie P.O.

FOR SALE—150 acres, $3,000; 100 acres, $2,750; 100 acres, $3,200; 167 acres, $16,000; 300 acres, $22,000; 30 acres, $3,500; 10 acres, $1,700; 10 acres, $1,100; 50 acres, improved, $1,050. A. Williams & Co., Ltd., 104 Yates street. a17

FOR SALE—We have 234 feet of Douglas street frontage; sewer passes property. Price $2100 if sold immediately. Heisterman & Co. a9

FOR SALE—Large lot on car line, James Bay (near Beacon Hill), cheap, and on easy terms if necessary. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. a7

FOR SALE—$250 will buy a whole island in Chemainus District. 24½ acres with small buildings. Apply B. C. Land and Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. m17

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK.

FOR SALE—A first-class standard bred mare, with rubber-tired buggy and harness. Apply T. A. Barlow, 101 Fort street. a17

FOR SALE—Silver Spangled Hamburgs—A fine pen for sale, including 1st cock at late show, scoring 91; 1st hen, 92¼; 1st pullet, 91; 2nd pullet, 93¼. Will sell cheap, as I have no room for them. W. A. Jameson, 71 Fort street. a17

FOR SALE—Hatching eggs from White Wyandottes (prize winners, Victoria, and of gold and silver medals, Seattle), and S. C. White Leghorns (prize winners Victoria), $6.00 and $8.00 per hundred; also Leghorn hen and pullets in full lay, $9.00 to $15.00 per dozen, and cockerels. Orders taken by Speed Bros. a17

EGGS FOR HATCHING—Buff Orpingtons, $2.00; special mating, $3.00; White Wyandottes, $2.00; Black Langshans, $1.50; Brown Leghorns, $1.50 per setting. Leave orders at W. A. Jameson's, 71 Fort street. Nothing sent C.O.D. Quick Bros., P.O. Box 187, Victoria, B. C. a14

EGGS FOR HATCHING—Barred Rocks (Hawkins strain) $1.50 for 13. Silver Spangled Hamburgs (great layers) $1.50 for 13. Good results guaranteed. W. A. Jameson, 71 Fort street. a3

FOR SALE—Spaniel puppies; thoroughbred; very handsome. Major MacFarlane, Cobble Hill. a9

FOR SALE—Eggs from prize birds. White Leghorns, from best English imported eggs. Black Leghorns, prize winners in Toronto. Eggs $1.00 and 50c, per setting. J. E. C. Holmes, Chemainus. a8

FOR SALE—S. C. White Leghorns, "Queen Anne" strain. Bred exclusively for heavy laying. H. P. Johnson, Victoria, B. C.

HEAVY HORSES FOR SALE—One bay team, weighing 1400, with harness and 4-inch Arm wagon; also two Clydesdale colts, two and three years old. Apply Geo. A. Jaynes, Cadboro Bay. a3

EGGS FOR HATCHING—W. Wyandotte, Black Minorca and Barred Plymouth Rock, $1.50 for 13. Pekin Duck $1.00. Also a few pedigreed Yorkshire pigs. Apply P. D. Goepel, P. O., Victoria.

FOR SALE—Pure White Leghorn hens, cheap. Must be sold before the first of April. Inquire at 15 St. Louis St. m25

FOR SALE—Canaries. Fine singers. Mrs. Lange, 84½ Douglas street. Upstairs.

FOR SALE—Good family cow, Jersey; also express wagon, light cart and set of harness. Apply Mrs. Bond, corner Cadboro Bay avenue and Foul Bay road. a12

WANTED—TO PURCHASE.

WANTED—To purchase Jersey heifer calf less than one week old of registered stock. Particulars to P. O. drawer 666. a15

WANTED—To purchase B.C. Statutes prior to 1898. Apply, stating years and price, to P. O. Box 205, Vancouver, B. C. a3

WANTED—To lease, with option of purchase, about 10 acres, with house, etc., within easy distance of Victoria. Apply "Venua," care Mrs. Minty, Victoria West. m18

TO LET—FARMS.

FARM TO LET—On four years' lease, two and one-half miles from Sidney Station, North Saanich; 34 acres (more or less) under cultivation. Allowance made for slashing and clearing. Rent $18 per month, payable in advance. Apply to W. N. Copeland, Archerdale, Sidney.

LADIES' HAIR DRESSING.

NOW OPEN—Unique manicuring and hairdressing parlors, face massage, shampooing and scalp treatment a specialty. 55 Fort street. Royal Hotel and Cafe building, Victoria, B. C. a14

MRS. LUIS RUSSELL—Face massage with electricity; scalp treatment; shampooing. 11 Rae street. m31

MRS. CAMPBELL—161 Fort street, one door above Quadra. Dermatology, Massage, Shampooing, Hairdressing, Manicuring, Hydro-Vacu Treatment, Electrolysis. Superfluous hair destroyed by absorption, for ladies and children only. Will go to house if desired. a10

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY—Miss Devereux, Richardson street. Office hours 10:30 to 12:30. Mail orders carefully executed.

WANTED TO RENT.

WANTED—Small furnished house with modern conveniences for three adults, close to town. Address P. O. Box 59.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LADY with pretty little home, would like to share it with suitable person. Terms easy. "D," Colonist. a17

SAFE FOR SALE—Second-hand safe, in good order, cost new $140.00, price $100. 55 Johnson street. a17

WANTED—Some good, clean gentlemen boarders in a private family at 59 Pandora avenue. a17

RAFFLE—Ticket no. 36 won the silk shawl raffled at D. H. Ross & Co.'s store Saturday evening. a17

TO LET—Office and desk rooms on Government street. Apply V. C. Commission Co., 23 Fort street. a14

STABLES FOR RENT—Nicely situated and well appointed with accommodation for nine horses, besides carriage house, harness room, sleeping house for men, cow house and chicken house, with electric light and water. Apply Dr. Garesche, Five Sisters' Block. m8

BEACON HILL—Two large lots (one a corner), commanding a beautiful view of the Straits. for sale cheap. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. m11

ADVERTISING WORLD, Columbus, Ohio, a monthly journal of information, plans, suggestions and ideas for advertising. Send today for free sample, or 10c. for four months' trial. 7j22

NEW DESIGNS for dinner place-ment cards etc., handpainted, by Mrs. J. T. Higgins. Samples of work at Mr. Martindale's Studio, 53 Douglas St. m20

TO RENT—RESIDENCES.

TO RENT—Furnished house for three months. The residence of Captain Barkley, R. N., situated near Westholme station on the E. & N. Railway and on the banks of the Chemainus river. Good garden, vegetables, fruit and horse and trap if required. Futher particulars apply A. W. Jones, 28 Fort street. a15

EDUCATIONAL.

SHORTHAND SCHOOL—15 Broad street. Bookkeeping thoroughly taught; also shorthand and typewriting. F. A. Macmillan, Principal. n4

THE VOICE—Kennedy—Assistant for four years in the studio of Haslam, late of New York, now of Paris, France, gives lessons in Tone Production, Style and Repertoire. Consultation at 12 Caledonia avenue. m22

VICTORIA ART CLASSES—53 Douglas street. All subjects. H. C. Martindale, Master. m23

FOR SALE—RESIDENCES.

FOR SALE—Nice Cottage, corner lot, (close to park), $1,750.00; good house with bath, $800. Two good lots near Fountain $800 or offer. A. Williams & Co., Ltd., 104 Yates street. a17

FOR SALE—$1,600—Five-roomed cottage on Outer Wharf car line. Bath, hot and cold water, electric light. Apply 29 Johnson street. a16

A SNAP—Five-roomed cottage and lot, 60x120. Price $1,450. Address "Snap," Colonist office. a8

FOR SALE—Good two-storey house and one acre of land; fine orchard, outbuildings near car line. For particulars address "A. D.," Colonist. a7

FOR SALE—Two-storied house with stone foundation, 22 Carr street; four rooms down stairs, four up; large cellar, garden, etc. Lot 72x103 feet. Apply to J. A. Douglas, over 69 Government St. m18

FOR SALE—$1650—Good cottage, 6 roms, lot 72x120, on car line; A1 locality. B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 government street. j24

FOR SALE—$2300—Seven-roomed house, hot and cold water, bath, sewer connections and electric light, with stable. Lot post office. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government St. 157 feet deep. Ten minutes walk from

FOR SALE—$1,000—Six roomed house on James Bay car line, in good order. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. m16

TO RENT—ROOM AND BOARD.

TO LET—Furnished housekeeping rooms, en suite, Elsmere House, 104 Pandora street. Apply 97 Quadra. a17

TO LET—Room and board in private family. 73 Blanchard street, between Pandora and Johnson streets. a17

TO LET—A pleasantly-situated bedroom for gentleman. On car line. Breakfast if desired. R. G. M., Colonist. a17

TO RENT—Suite of housekeeping rooms, 54 Humboldt street. a14

TO LET—Furnished room for one or two gentlemen. 36 Belleville street. a10

TO LET—Housekeeping rooms. 118 Douglas street. a12

TO LET — Comfortable furnished front rooms, with use of kitchen if required. 139 Michigan street, James Bay. a6

TO RENT — Two or three housekeeping rooms. Ground floor. 152 Fort street.

FOR SALE!

6-roomed Cottage, bath, sewer, &c., situate on Fort Street, only 5 minutes walk from Government Street—Lot 60x120. Apply

B. C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LTD
40 Government St.

TO RENT—5-roomed furnished cottage, electric light. Apply between 1 and 3 p.m. at 22 Croft street, James Bay. a15

TO LET—Comfortably furnished house on Cadboro Bay road. Modern conveniences; possession 15th April. Heisterman & Co. a12

TO RENT—On Fairfield road, desirable residence containing eight rooms, bath, hot and cold water, tennis court, orchard, stables and nine acres of land. Apply 24 Ontario street, James Bay. a7

TO RENT—Desirable residence containing eight rooms, bath, hot and cold water, tennis court, orchard, stables and nine acres of land. Apply 24 Ontario street, James Bay. a3

TO RENT—Well furnished bungalow, fronting on sea. Salt Spring Island. Address "B. X.," Colonist. m1

TO LET—FURNISHED—A number of furnished houses $20 per month, upwards. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Co., Ltd., 40 Government street. m12

FOR SALE—BOATS, ETC.

FOR SALE—Yukon river boat. Apply A. Peden, 36 Fort street. a12

FOR SALE—FARM LANDS

FOR SALE—Seven acres, partly cleared, four miles from city. Cheap. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government. a 12

FOR SALE—$1800—50 acres, 16 cultivated, 18 slashed, burnt and seeded, small house, barns, etc., live stock, farming implements, etc., etc., close to a good market. A money maker and a bargain. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. a7

FOR SALE—A first class farm, situated in the Okanagan country, 320 acres, 200 cleared; is well watered and well fenced. For further particulars apply to J. Merritt, 9 Walker street, Victoria West, B. C. a5

FOR SALE—50 acres, Victoria District, 4 miles from town, 7 acres under cultivation. $40 per acre. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. m30

FOR SALE—130 acres, Salt Spring Island, $800. Good land. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

FOR SALE—130 acres, Esquimalt District; water frontage, $1,000. Good timber. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd.; 40 Government stret. f12

FOR SALE—40 acres, 4 miles from Victoria postoffice; 22 under cultivation; good buildings. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street

FOR SALE—$2200—9-roomed house, bath, hot and cold water and sewer connections, centrally located. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. j21

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No Fears For The "Triumph"

Owners of Pioneer Sealer Have Reason to Discredit Sensational Report.

Impossible to Harmonize Facts With Correspondent Conjectures.

On her last voyage up the West Coast of the island the Queen City had as one of her passengers Mr. E. W. Wright, editor of the "Marine History of the Pacific Northwest," a standard work of reference in Coast newspaper offices, himself a veteran Columbia river pilot, and at the present time marine editor of the Portland Oregonian and secretary of the Shipping Exchange in the neighbor state city. His mission up the coast was to nuvestigate the reported wrecks of the Lamorna and the Kailua, but as a trained newspaperman, he naturally kept his eyes open for anything else that would make "live copy" for his paper. Apparently his zeal in news getting has outrun his usual good judgment in weighing the value of circumstantial evidence, for on the very slender fact that a nameboard of the schooner Triumph has been picked up at Quatsino or thereabouts, and without adequate reflection upon the anxiety and downright misery his sensational news must cause the relatives of those aboard, he has also included the Triumph in the too heavy list of vessels which have foundered or been battered to pieces in the fierce gales of the last month. Such enterprise in the production of news has in it the elements of an exquisite cruelty. There is nothing in the evidence of wreckage or report to justify a suggestion that the staunch veteran of the sealing fleet has been seen for the last time at the home port that knows her familiar lines so well. Indeed, the Victoria Sealing Company, owners of the vessel, are so thoroughly convinced that no importance is to be placed upon the report from Quatsino, and that the Triumph is still afloat and about her sealers' business, that they are not so much as making any special enquiries concerning her. Their own positive information may be said to flatly contradict the supposition of any serious disaster. The nameboard referred to had been lightly attached with iron nails, and it would have been the simplest accident for it to have detached itself. The Triumph had no occasion to go to Quatsino or that locality. She was to take equipment and canoes at Hesquoit, and proceed direct to the hunting grounds of Behring sea. She reported all well off Mendocino cape when she was following the California coast seals on February 28th; and it is outside the pale of reason that she should have abandoned her intention of keeping among them longer and worked or been carried thence north to the neighborhood of the northernmost extremity of the island where the board was found, by the 10th of March. The place from which the schooner was last reported and the date, would seem to make conclusive the suggestion that no importance can possibly be attached to the one scrap of evidence upon which the tale of death and disaster is constructed. The owners of the Triumph have not the least anxiety as to her safety, nor need anyone else have any special fears.

It was in a special to the Oregonian on Thursday last from Ucluelet, at the entrance to Alberni canal and almost as distant as Victoria from Quatsino, that Mr. Wright's story was told. The little justified despatch (so far as the Victoria sealer is concerned), is given herewith in its entirety:

"Wreckage from three vessels which carried crews of about 60 men and represented a property valuation of over $250,000 has been drifting in on the west coast of Vancouver island for the past three weeks. Over all three of these disasters, which have resulted in such an enormous loss of life and property, lingers an air of mystery which may never be cleared up.

"Considerable has been printed regarding the loss of the British ship Lamorna and the schooner Kailua, but thus far the public has not yet been informed of the absence and probable loss of a vessel carrying a larger crew than that on board of either of the other vessels. This latest addition to the ranks of the missing is the British sealing schooner Triumph, and there is very strong circumstantial evidence that she was pounded to pieces in the same gale that is supposed to have destroyed the Lamorna.

"The Triumph, after several weeks' sealing off the Oregon and Washington coast, headed north for Hesquoit, late in February, under orders to call at that Indian port on the West Coast of Vancouver island, March 23rd, where supplies and equipment for her Behring sea cruise awaited her. So far as known, she was last sighted off Point Arenas by the schooner City of San Diego, now lying in Clayoquot harbor, but the master of the schooner Jessie, which was at Ucluelet a few days ago, believes that he saw her off the Columbia river just before the big gale which swept over the North Pacific about March 19th.

"With the exception of the Triumph, all of the sealing vessels that were out in that terrible battle with the elements have since put into the west coast ports, and none of them escaped some injury. While there was some uneasiness over the non-appearance of the Triumph immediately after the storm when the other vessels began arriving, no positive alarm was felt until a few days ago, when the nameboard of the vessel was picked up on Entrance island at the mouth of Quatsino sound.

"The coast in that vicinity is much more isolated than that lying farther south, and for this reason no other wreckage has yet been found, and there has been no determined search for it. The vessel was in command of Captain Burns, of Victoria, and carried a crew of 25 hunters and crew, all whites. To avoid awakening premature anxiety among the relatives of the crew, the matter has been kept very quiet in Victoria, but it is a matter of grave concern all along the west coast, especially since the finding of the name board."

THE LAMORNA.

No Room for Doubt That the Ship Lamorna Is Lost.

Of the Lamorna Mr. Wright says:

"Positive evidence of the loss of the British ship Lamorna is still wanting, but there is such an overwhelming mass of circumstantial evidence that there seems hardly a shadow of a doubt that the big four-master has been lost with all on board. The Indian houses at this place are rapidly filling up with wreckage from all parts of a big ship, and while as yet parts coming ashore which would be vital to the safety of the vessel have not borne the name of the Lamorna, the fact that they drift in with comparatively unimportant wreckage that does bear her name is pretty conclusive evidence that all of it came from the same ship.

"Among other wreckage, which I examined here today, was an oak hatch beam 12 inches wide, six inches thick, and about 12 feet long. There was also a piece of polished casing which had apparently encased the mizzenmast, where it passed through the cabin. Battered into short lengths was about 30 running feet of scroll work, such as is used over stateroom doors for ventilation and with it were a number of cabin doors with brass locks and knobs still attached.

"Large quantities of deck planks from both main and poop decks is piled up around this Indian rancherie. It is so little water-worn that the poop decking, which is painted white on one side and holystoned on the other, shows hardly any effect whatever from the water, so brief a period has it been submerged.

"The most of this poop decking was picked up off Shelter island, and between Shelter island and Double island a booby hatch was picked up afloat. Hand island, just southeast of Ucluelet, was littered with wreckage from the deckhouse, dead chickens, pigs, cabin panels, etc., and there was also considerable barley chaff floating on the water in the vicinity of this island.

"The general belief among both the whites and the Indians in this vicinity is that the Lamorna struck Starlight reef just off the entrance to Ucluelet harbor during a heavy southwest gale, accompanied by blinding snow squalls. A vessel answering the description of the Lamorna appeared six miles southwest of Ucluelet two days after the mysterious vessel was sighted and reported off Cape Beale about March 17th. She had but little canvas on her, but when last sighted before the snow squalls hid her from view seemed to be making an effort to claw off shore.

"This was the last that was seen of the strange vessel, but a day or two later wreckage began coming ashore. There is deep water off Starlight reef and a strong tide setting to the west and it is thought that the vessel sank immediately after striking and the light wreckage was quickly carried ashore by the wind.

"There is such an endless amount of coastline around this nest of rocks and islands that it would be only an accident if any of the victims were discovered for many months, and the bodies may never be found. The identification of the Lamorna's boats is, of course, complete, and as no other vessel of a description tallying with the kind of wreckage found was known to be in this part of the world at the time this wreck happened, it may as well be accepted as a fact that the Lamorna has been lost with all on board."

THE KAILUA.

Hull Came Ashore Near Maquinna Point—Indians Secure Cargo.

Of the Kailua Mr. Wright says:

"The third of the victims of this March hurricane, the schooner Kailua, only partially cleared up the mystery of her fate by drifting ashore in sections, with nothing to give an inkling of the fate of her crew. The hull of the Kailua came ashore near Maquinna point, bringing with it about 150,000 feet of lumber, which was saved by the Indians. The house and some of the rigging was picked up on Grassy island, forty miles farther up the coast.

"This 'Graveyard of the Pacific' has claimed many victims in the past, but it is doubtful if there has ever before been such a wholesale destruction of life and property in a single gale, and but few of the victims of former gales have passed out of sight leaving their exact fate quite so much a mystery as now surrounds the disappearance of the Lamorna, Kailua and Triumph.

"Some of the men may have been picked up and carried to far-away ports, but as the days pass hope of this kind becomes fainter, and it is more than probable that vessels and crews have found a common grave in the depths of the ocean off this terrible coast."

ALARMING ACCIDENT.

Steamer Inland Flyer Strikes Reef at Full Speed.

The passenger steamer Inland Flyer, bound from Seattle for Bremerton, ran at full speed on to the reef end of Restoration point, near Port Blakeley, during the fog Friday morning at 7 o'clock. Captain Peter Baulk, is master of the Flyer, but Mate F. Clement was at the wheel at the time of the accident. When the vessel hit the rocks she litterally jumped clear of the water. She now lies beam ends down across the rocks. There were forty passengers on the steamer. They were all taken off safely, put ashore and walked to Port Blakeley. At half tide, where the Inland Flyer struck, there lies eight feet of water. The steamer is owned by the Port Orchard Transportation Company. The damage, it is claimed, is light.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The United States government hydrographic office sends out the following: "Information dated February 11, 1904, has been received that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's steamer Alki, drawing 16 feet 9 inches, struck on Hein bank, eastern end of Juan de Fuca strait.

"From the draft of the vessel, state of tide, and nature of injuries sustained, it is estimated that there is a lump of small extent, consisting of hard clay, and gravel, over which there is a depth of about 13 feet on Hein bank, instead of 21 feet marked on the chart."

COAL FOR LOS ANGELES.

The steamer Edith, which sailed Friday night, the Mincola, sailing Saturday and the San Mateo, soon to arrive, are all taking coal cargoes to Port Los Angeles. Not all of this coal is from the Southern Pacific mines at Carbonado, as has been anticipated. The Edith took Black Diamond mine product, says the Tacoma Daily News.

The shipments of coal are increasing by leaps and bounds and are now back to as large proportions as before the discovery of oil in California. The Southern Pacific mines, as has been told, are being worked to their full capacity and all of the product is going to California. The Black Diamond mines are behind with orders and the same conditions are true of all other Washington mines. Port Los Angeles at the present time is taking more coal from here than San Francisco.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Tees will sail for northern British Columbia ports on Thursday next.

The Empress of China is due to arrive here from the Orient on Tuesday.

The Princess May is scheduled to sail for Skagway on Tuesday.

On Wednesday next it is expected that the Princess Victoria will go on the Sound route. As far as present arrangements go she will take that run for about ten days while the Princess Beatrice receives an overhauling. As far as can be ascertained no definite conclusions have been arrived at as to the future movement of the two steamers, although it is practically assured that the Princess Beatrice will take the route she was built for, viz., the northern British Columbia route.

The Princess May is due to arrive today from Skagway.

The ship Glory of the Seas arrived at the Royal Roads yesterday morning at 3 o'clock. The old clipper left San Francisco on Monday last and made a phenomenal run to the Cape, from which point she was towed here by the American tug Bahada. She left for Comox during the day in tow of the Lorne.

On her return from Comox the tug Lorne will tow the barque Hecla to sea from Chemainus. Her destination is one of the Alaskan salmon canneries, from which she has a charter to bring away a cargo of canned salmon.

A big effort was to be made to get the steamer Jefferson into deep water yesterday. Friday evening the tugs succeeded in bringing the vessel 500 feet nearer to blue water and if they can do as well today the latest product of the Puyallup shipyards should have been floating in the bay by six o'clock last night. The tides are getting higher each day and the pull was to begin Saturday afternoon at about 4 o'clock.

The steamer Thistle, which is now receiving extensive alterations and repairs is intended to be placed on the Victoria-Nanaimo route in connection with the city of Nanaimo, which will provide a daily service between Victoria and the Gulf islands. As the repairs to the Thistle will occupy about two months the steamer Unican has been chartered to be placed on the run in the meantime. This proposed service will prove very satisfactory, placing as it does the settlers at the different island ports in closer touch with this city. During the summer months the City of Nanaimo will make her usual Saturday excursion trips through the Gulf islands, which proved so popular to tourists and others last year.

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Railway Plans Made Public

Promoters of New Island Railway Project Explain Status of Scheme.

Meeting to Be Held at Board of Trade Tomorrow to Discuss Details

A special meeting of the Board of Trade has been called for tomorrow evening to permit Mr. John Cain, of Port Angeles, to address the board on the matter of the proposed immediate construction of a line of railway to the north end of the island.

The company which Mr. Cain represents undertakes to build a standard gauge railway that will connect Victoria with the north end of Vancouver island. It is hoped to make satisfactory arrangements with the E. & N. Company for an interchange of traffic. Mr. Dunsmuir has not been approached as yet on the subject, that being deferred until definite arrangements have been made with the government. Going on the general principle that corporations with great interests are not likely to enter into opposition to one another when not absolutely essential, it is not expected that any difficulty will stand in the way of an interchange of running rights between the new line and the E. & N. Upon the government giving assurances of the acceptance of the proposal, the company will put surveyors in the field within ten days. Furthermore, within ninety days the active work of construction will begin, and within two years the company are prepared to agree to have the road completed.

The intention of the company is to establish as direct a line as possible with the Yukon and Alaskan ports. For this reason the most direct route throughout the island will be taken. Roughly speaking, the line will be two hundred and fifty miles in length. To complete it within the time specified will require a vast army of workmen. Mr. Cain thinks that, allowing for lost time, which must ensue, that it will require a force of about seven or eight thousand men.

In return the company ask from the government a grant of 5,000 acres of land per mile of road, and $10,000 per mile of 3 per cent. inscribed stock taken at par. This latter stock will be held by the New York capitalists, thus removing it from active competition in the money markets and affecting any other issue of government stock. The company is also willing to enter into an agreement to sell the land to settlers at the same prices as government land of the same quality.

Depending upon the through freight for the great bulk of its trade, the local rates are promised to be kept within very reasonable limits. The company seek to settle the land along its route, and thus dispose of the land, and for that reason may be expected to hold out every inducement to intending settlers in point of freight rates.

The proposal, if accepted by the government, will give a wonderful impetus to trade on Vancouver island. Victoria is advantageously situated to share very largely in this, but at the same time Nanaimo and other Vancouver island points will share in this. The island railway will have branch lines to mining centres, and thus develop the latent resources of the island.

With a fast line of steamers between the northern terminus and Skagway and Alaskan ports, and a car ferry from Port Angeles to Victoria, the total cost it is estimated, will amount to $9,000,000.

Coincident with this, docking facilities will be required, and repair and work shops for the ferry and railway line. These, Mr. Cain says, would be established in Victoria.

The completion of it means, he thinks, the transferring in no small measure of the Yukon and Alaska trade to Victoria. Vancouver also would come in for its share, owing to its shipping facilities by ferry connection with Vancouver island.

A petition in favor of the proposition has been largely signed by Victoria merchants, who realize in the scheme an excellent opportunity to attract capital to the Vancouver island resources.

Mr. Cain is anxious to have something done at once, as those interested financially are wanting a definite answer. It is, moreover, important that no time should be lost with the opening of the summer if the work is to go on.

During the last sitting of the legislature Mr. Cain visited Victoria repeatly. The Cowichan, Alberni & Fort Rupert railway, which is to be the Vancouver island means of communication, was chartered as a preliminary stage to the proposition. It was laid before Premier McBride at that time. The premier, who expressed an unwillingness to deal with any transportation proposition which was not a bona fide one, stated then that if Mr. Cain was able to furnish the endorsation of the Government Bank, the Canadian Bank of Commerce or of the Bank of Montreal to the effect that he had financial backing to complete the work, the proposition would be considered. The premier was at the same time very favorably inclined to this scheme.

Since that Mr. Cain claims he has been able to furnish every assurance, through the Bank of Montreal, that the money is available to complete the work as required, so that no obstacle can present itself from that source.

On the 19th March Mr. Cain laid a letter before the government referring them to the Bank of Montreal for the bona fides asked for. The government will be met by the promoters as soon as convenient, and the proposition fully presented.

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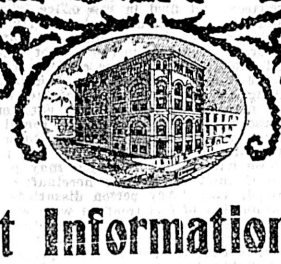

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——Pope.

BACK again to Yale—bright, breezy, busy, festive Yale—a while agone a sleepy Indian village and a quiet Hudson's Bay Company's station—now the theatre of extensive mining operations, the head of steamboat navigation and the starting point of pack trains and miners bound for the golden bars of the canons and the upper river. A city of tents and shacks, stores, barrooms and gambling houses. The one street crowded from morning till night with a surging mass of humanity of all sorts and conditions. The year is 1858, and the month is September. The hour is nine in the evening and in company with three or four other homeless young men I found myself standing in the midst of a crowd of men and women gathered about a table to watch the players as they "bucked" at faro. The dealer was a scorputic-looking man of perhaps 25. He was reputed the best faro dealer on the Coast. And, being not a little proud of the distinction, he seemed to regard the foolish persons who gathered about him with a cynical smile, while a contemptuous expression lurked in his sallow immobile countenance. Every age was represented by those who surrounded the table to watch the playing with feverish anxiety or to stake a coin on the outcome of a card.

As the game proceeded the excitement increased and many of the gamesters, having lost their all, slowly fell back and others who were anxious to try their fortunes took the vacant places. In the front rank of the latest comers my eyes fell on a respectably dressed man of about thirty. He was smoking a cigar and appeared to regard the exciting scene with an expression of cynical listlessness. His well-to-do appearance attracted the attention of the professional gamblers who, in the hope that he would enter the game, gradually fell back and allowed the stranger to advance to the table until he stood in the front rank. Another deal from the box was impending and the eyes of the dealer were fixed like those of a basilisk on the new-comer, who in a spirit of bravado, it seemed to me, placed a ten dollar gold piece upon the ace of clubs. A miner standing near to the stranger laid two twenties on another card and when the result was known the young man had won and the miner had lost. The miner turned away with a dejected air and his place was taken by the stranger who continued to wager with cool indifference. After the first winning re lost steadily. Soon his money seemed to be exhausted, for he bet no more, but still retained his place without the least show of excitement or chagrin. Presently a bearded miner pushed his way to the front and laid four twenties on the first card that caught his eye. When the card came from the box the miner had won. He doubled the stakes, and again and again won. The owners of the bank scarcely concealed their anger. They made signs to the dealer to close the bank; but he did not appear to understand what was expected of him and continued to deal, while the pile of gold in front of the miner grew apace. The other tables were soon abandoned and crowds pressed forward to watch the duel between the bank and the miner and inwardly to pray that the bank might be broken. There must have been one thousand dollars on the last card the miner selected and, strange to say, he won again. Then he began to place his winnings in a buckskin sack, for he had announced that he would play no more. The bystanders watched with covetous eyes the fortunate man as he filled his bag with the golden winnings and several patted him on the back and congratulated him on his good luck. The dealer had closed the bank and was in the act of leaving the table when a pistol shot rang through the room. Simultaneously every coal oil lamp was extinguished and the place was in total darkness. A lamp that stood on the table where I had watched the playing was thrown to the floor and went out. The table was upset with a crash and then there arose cries of alarm and agony, mingled with fierce maledictions and murderous threats. I tried to grope my way outside, but found myself entangled in a struggling, shouting mass of humanity. It was some minutes before a light could be had. At last some one brought a lantern and then the faro dealer and the lucky miner were seen to hold their hands to their eyes while they raved and stamped with anguish and cried for "Help! in heaven's name, help!" The affair was plain to the most ordinary mind. A band of ruffians had conspired to rob the bank. The pistol shot was the signal for extinguishing the lights and dashing of cayenne pepper into the eyes of the dealer and player. In the darkness and excitement the funds were seized and carried off, with the exception of a few gold pieces that fell to the floor. The anguish of the sufferers was pitiful to behold, and neither ever recovered the full use of their eyes. A hue and cry was raised. The police were notified and the whole population turned out to search for the miscreants. But in the absence of telegraphic and telephonic communication little could be done. It was learned the next day that an Indian canoe in which were seated two white men left the water front before daybreak. These men were believed to be the culprits; but they got safely off and were not overtaken by the constables who were sent after them. On the next day and on several succeeding days I looked in vain for the well-dressed man who stood near the table when the trouble came; but he did not appear at either of the hotels, nor was he seen on the street; so at last I began to connect him with the affair at the gambling house, and finally became convinced that he was one of the conspirators who made off with the money. I mentioned my suspicions to several and we found that he had stopped at York's hotel, giving the name of Burdel, or something like it, that he had no baggage and that he did not return to the hotel after the robbery.

The iron and stone building on the southeast corner of Langley and Yates streets, Victoria, was erected by J. T. Pidwell in 1861. It is still a substantial structure. The lot upon which it stands was one of three or four that were assigned to Governor Blanchard, who preceded Governor Douglas, and upon those lots stood the first Government House of the Colony of Vancouver Island. The Bank of British North America and the Adelphi (the latter erected by the late Theodore Davie), also occupy two of the gubernatorial lots. The Adelphi and the brick building where Hall & Goepel's extensive coal business is transacted, occupy the site of Mr. Blanchard's residence. The first occupants of the store in the Pidwell building were Burtis & Moore, druggists. They first opened business on the opposite side of Yates street, their building, which was of frame, standing just where Oriental alley now runs. After it had been decided to open Oriental alley Burtis & Moore leased the Pidwell building and moved into it in the fall of 1861. Mr. Burtis was an American, a jolly, whole-souled fellow, witty and generous, and an able chemist and druggist, and known to his intimates as "Jim" Burtis. He had but one fault, the nature of which will be developed as we proceed. Mr. Moore was an Irishman, very quiet and sedate and the reverse of his partner in most things. He was an excellent druggist and a good man in all respects. Burtis married a charming young American girl in 1860, and the following year built a pretty cottage on Birdcage Walk. This house was torn down in 1897 and its site now forms part of government square.

I took a room in the Burtis cottage and the owner and I became fast friends, and when business did not prevent we were often together. I may say here that the pleasantest days of my bachelor life were passed with the Burtis household.

The upper flat of the Pidwell building was divided into offices, which were rented to lawyers and others. In 1862 the front room was occupied by a stranger named Redford. He represented himself as a Southerner who had been driven away from his plantations by the Northerners and had come to Victoria to reside until the war should be over. The room was very prettily hung with draperies and pictures and filled with good mahogany furnitue, and there was nothing about the occupant to indicate that he was other than what he said he was—a Southern gentleman in exile. He was a smooth talking, quiet person, possessed of much general information and was remarkably well read. I passed several evenings in his company and was entertained by his conversation, and—must I confess it,—by his cigars and sherry. His stories of the South were engaging, too, and as I had many personal adventures in California and on Fraser river to narrate, we got along very well together.

One evening Redford asked me to describe Yale to him and I did so as well as I could.

"Ah!" said he, "I should like to see that place and I shall go up some day. Life there must be most interesting."

I told him that although there were pleasant times there life was not all "beer and skittles." Did you ever hear of the cayenne pepper plot? I asked:

No, he had never heard of it. What was it all about? What kind of a plot was it? Anything like the gunpowder plot, for instance?

I told him about the scene in Bennett's house, where red pepper was thrown into the eyes of the banker and one of his patrons by robbers, who made off with the coin.

"Dear me! dear me!" Redford exclaimed. "To think that there are such rascals in the world! Robbery would be bad enough, but to throw pepper into the poor men's eyes—it was horrible." He shuddered as he passed the decanter and remarked, "This playing for money is a bad business. I do not mind a social game of whist or poker, but not for money—not for money. Do you play?"

"No," I replied, "I cannot play cards—at least, not well; and I have never played for money and never shall."

"That's a good resolve," he said quickly. "Stick to it and you'll come out all right."

The conversation here lagged and as I took my leave of him I fancied that his manner was less cordial than formerly. When I met him on the street next day he was distant and reserved and I made up my mind that I should not visit his room again without a special invitation, which was never extended.

About a month after my last visit to Redford's boom a rumor reached me that several business men had been fleeced at cards in a building on Yates street, the locality of which was not stated. Amongst the losers was said to be my friend Jim Burtis. It was said that he was out two thousand dollars and that two of his personal friends had assisted in his despoilment. I went at once to his store and found him looking very dejected. I told him what I had heard and he admitted that the rumor was correct. But he scouted the idea advanced by me that he had been cheated. It was just pure luck, he claimed, and tomorrow the pendulum might swing in his direction.

"Where do you play?" I asked.

He pointed with his hand at the ceiling, and then I understood that the gambling went on upstairs.

"In whose room?" I asked.

"In Redford's," he answered.

"Do you mean to say that Redford allows gambling in his room?" I asked.

"Of course, he does," Burtis replied.

"Well, then," I exclaimed, "You'd better look out for him. Less than a month ago he sounded me to find if I played cards, and when he found that I did not he denounced card playing for money in forcible terms. I don't like the look of this, I added, "and you'll find that Redford is either a rascal or a hypocrite."

Jim shook his head and the interview ended. An hour or two later I met Redford on Government street. He was strolling leisurely along, cigar in mouth and cane in hand. He saluted me coldly and was passing on when something prompted me to address him. I forget what I said, but he stopped short and turning around remarked, "You have not been to see me lately."

"No," I replied, "and if what I hear about you is true I shall not trouble you again."

"What do you mean?" he asked, with that smooth, even drawl which was peculiar to him and which I had begun to regard as assumed.

"I mean, Mr. Redford," I exclaimed, "that I have a friend, a young man recently married. He has a wife and child and a prosperous business and it is the scandal of the day that he has been induced to gamble in your rooms, and that he has lost thousands of dollars there."

"I do not know that it is any of your business to Paul Pry into what goes on in my rooms," he remarked in a dreamy sort of way.

"Perhaps not, and I have not pried, but others have and they have told me. The last time I was in your room you said that you abhorred gaming for money. And now it would appear that you tolerate it if you do not share in the profits."

For an instant the good-natured, easy demeanor of the man deserted him.. He raised his cane and turned red and pale by turns. Recovering himself quickly, he said in his soft, purring way, "You are altogether wrong—you do me an injustice. I have nothing to do with the gambling. If friends of mine meet there and insist upon playing, how can I prevent them?"

"Easily," I replied. "You might as well say that if a man intended to murder another and you were aware of his intention that you were justified in permitting the crime to be perpetrated."

By this time I was hot, for I was thinking of the victim's little family. Redford, who remained as cool as an iceberg, did not reply, but with a quick "good-day," moved off. I watched him as he walked along, apparently unconcerned. And then I fell into a curious train of thought. Where had I seen the man before? Surely we had met somewhere; perhaps in California, or was it Central America, or Mexico? Could it have been at Yale? The instant Yale occurred to me I felt a strange twitching in my eyelids. It seemed to me that something which smarted and gave me pain had fallen into my eyes. Then my mental vision cleared and—I saw plainly!

Some two weeks later an exciting scene was enacted in Redford's room. The story, as it reached the public, was to the effect that the infatuated Burtis sat down one evening to a game of poker. About a dozen persons were present. Four men were in the game—Burtis, Redford and two others—one being an intimate friend and partner for the time being of the intended victim. From the first Burtis lost heavily. It was evident that the card pardner of Burtis had entered into a conspiracy with Redford and the remaining gamblers to make a finish of Burtis that night. He was to be stripped of all his possessions and on the morrow would walk the streets a beggar!

The betting was heavy and as the evening wore on the victim grew more and more excited and bet higher and higher. The interest among the bystanders was great and they crowded around the table to watch the game. All but Burtis could see that the other players had conspired to destroy him. He, poor, innocent man, continued to bet on hands which he held, while the others met him every time. The lookers-on were annoyed at the shameful way in which the victim was being fleeced; but not a voice was raised or a hand stretched out to save him. All but Burtis could see that there was a plot to destroy him, and if any one remarked that it was a shameful piece of fleeced; but not a voice was raised of a hand stretched out to save him. If any one remarked that it was a shameful piece of business, he took care that no one heard him. A hand had been dealt for the final stroke. Burtis staked his last available dollar on three aces and two kings. When the show down came Redford produced four aces. Then the scales seemed to fall from Burtis' eyes, and he sprang to his feet as Redford reached out his hand to grasp the stakes.

"Cheat! Swindler! Thief!" roared Burtis as he extended his left hand so as to cover the money. "You stacked the cards on me!"

Redford, who had also risen, made a motion as if to draw a weapon, but Burtis was too quick for him.

"Throw up your hands," he shouted, as he leveled a revolver at the gambler's head. "Higher! higher! There! keep them up. If you lower them I'll shoot you dead! Damn you!"

The other persons present exhibited the utmost alarm. Some ran to the door, but found it locked from the outside. Others made for the windows, but the drop to the street was too great as the reader will see by inspecting the place. Still others flattened themselves against the wall in a vain effort to reduce their figures to the smallest possible compass.

Burtis' card partner ventured to reason with him. He was told with a savage curse to stand back, and all this time the cocked revolver was leveled full at Redford's head. Of all present Redford was apparently unmoved. While the hearts of some stood still and their cheeks were blanched Redford was calm and collected. Without changing color he demanded:

"What does this mean, Burtis?"

"It means that you are an infernal swindler; it means that I have got you in the door and that I am going to squeeze you until you disgorge the money you have unfairly won from me and others. You a Southern gentleman! You are a low-lived scoundrel and thief!"

Redford, with his eyes bent full on Burtis, was seen to drop his right hand into the pocket of his sack coat.

"Stop that!" shouted Burtis. "Take your hand out of your pocket or I'll shoot you dead. Up with your hands again, you scoundrel. Up! Up! Hold them over your head, so. There, that'll do; now keep them there till I tell you to let them down," continued Burtis, as he crammed the money on the table into his pockets. "Now," he said, "I am still a loser through you and your friends to the extent of $3,000. You have corrupted even the partners whom I have had nightly, and you have had a merry time discussing my affairs and predicting that after this night my ruin as a business man would be complete.

"This is all Tommy rot," began Redford.

"You may have it so, if you like, but if I give the word that door will fly open and policemen will take you in charge. It will be too late to parley then."

"What do you mean—what am I accused of?" faltered Redford, whose insolent air and calm demeanor had at last fled.

"I accuse you of being the principal in the Cayenne pepper robbery at Yale four years ago!" cried Burtis.

Had Redford been struck a heavy blow he could not have shown greater consternation. He turned a greenish white and staggered back, and seemed on the point of sinking to the floor. "Take! take!" he murmured, "all that I have, but do not hand me over to the police!"

Then the door was thrown open and there glided in the figure of a young woman. She wore a waterproof, the hood of which was drawn over her head. She advanced into the middle of the room and then it was seen that she was Mr. Burhis' dear little household treasure. Swiftly crossing to where her husband stood, her eyes flashed fire as she laid one hand on the hand that held the pistol, and facing Burtis and his pals like an avenging angel, she pointed with the other hand at them. "Villain," she screamed, "you have robbed poor Jim! Would you murder him too?"

"My God, Jenny, you here!" cried Burtis as he lowered the pistol.

"Yes, Jim, dear Jim," the angel replied, "and we must hasten home for I left the baby in the crib asleep with no one to look after her if she should awaken. Come, dear," she said, as she led her husband to the door, "we must hurry."

The two passed out of the room, along the hall to the stairs and then out into the night. No man attempted to stay their progress and they reached home unmolested with the money.

The next day Redford disappeared and was not heard of again. His furniture and pictures were taken possession of by his victim and sold. Mrs. Burtis, it afterwards transpired, had gone to the room in search of her husband and while listening outside the door turned the key in the lock.

She afterwards said she never knew why. At the critical moment she entered the room and rescued her husband. Burtis said he had no understanding with the police and that he only mentioned the Cayenne pepper plot to unman Redford.

In the Burtis cottage there hung for several years the headless photograph of a man taken at full length. It had been the portrait of the false friend who acted as Burtis' partner on the night of the gambling adventure. The intended victim, after the adventure, cut the head from the photograph, and when questioned as to his reason for doing so took keen delight in narrating the story that I have told above.

I passed the Pidwell building yesterday. Time has dealt lightly with the structure; but not so, alas! with its occupants. Mr. Moore died many years ago and his two sons succeeded him. They were not fortunate and a padlock on the front door tells the story of adversity and ruin after more than forty years of earnest effort. It is said that the building will soon be converted into a bank; but whatever may be its future, no more exciting scene than the one I have chronicled in this paper will be enacted within its four walls. Burtis and his wife long since went away and died, and the false friend—he of the headless photograph—has also crossed the border. In fact not one actor in that famous gambling scene is now in the land of the living.

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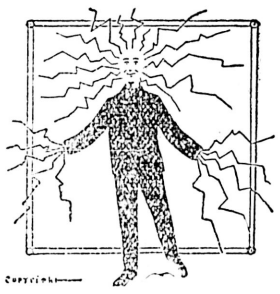

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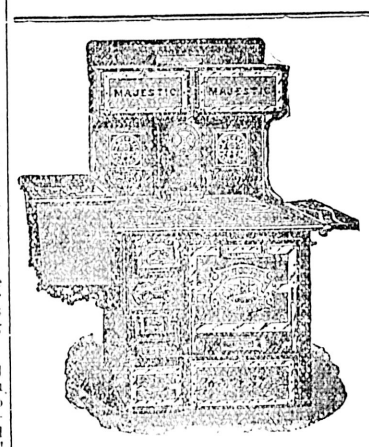

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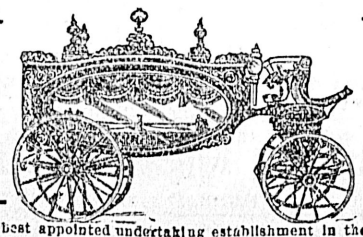

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Kinglake, the historian of the Crimea, who hated Irishmen as Johnson hated the Scots, used to say cynically that "human nature is the same all the world over, except in Ireland." If Kinglake had known her songs he would not have said this about Ireland. Nor perhaps if a certain old-time Irish priest had known her songs would he have uttered that famous libel on the Emerald Isle. When the devil, wrote this priest to the Pope, shewed our Lord all the kingdoms of the world he did not shew Ireland, because he wanted to reserved that accursed country for himself! How could anybody have said this of a land which gave birth to "The Dear Little Shamrock," "The Last Rose of Summer" and "Rory O'More?" Ireland is as famous for her songs as for her brogue, her potheen, and her pretty dairymaids.

I suppose, if a vote were taken on the subject, it would be found that "The Last Rose of Summer" is the most generally popular of all Irish songs. This popularity is due, in a large measure, to the fine melody, which had a history of some hundred years or more when Tom Moore wrote his celebrated song for it. As most theatre-goers are aware, the melody appears in that old-fashioned yet ever-welcome opera "Martha." Some people will indeed tell you that "Martha" would never have survived but for "The Last Rose of Summer." Berlioz, the French composer, said that the "beauty of the Irish melody served to disinfect the rottenness of the 'Martha' music." But Berlioz loved not Count Frederick von Flotow, the composer of "Martha."

It does not matter. The point is that Moore found a fine old melody ready to his hand, and made it immortal. It is the melody indeed that allows the song to be claimed for Ireland; for there is nothing characteristically Irish about Moore's words. They are English in form, metre and sentiment, just as the great bulk of the lyrics in the "Irish Melodies" are. Moore undoubtedly was a poet in setiment, sympathy, or sensibility. Still, he rescued a host of fine old Irish airs from oblivion. "The Last Rose of Summer" among them, and for that service lovers of popular songs must ever be grateful to him.

Half a century ago there was not a more popular song than "Rory O'More," and even now it is among the best known of Irish songs. The author, Samuel Lover, thus relates the story of its origin. He says: "From an early period I had felt that Irish comic songs (so-called) were but too generally coarse and vulgar, devoid of that mixture of fun and feeling so strongly blended in the Irish character— that a pig and a poker, expletive oaths, 'hurroos,' and 'whack fol de lols' made the staple of most Irish comic songs; and having expressed this opinion in a company where the subject was discussed, I was met with that taunting question which sometimes supplies the place of argument, namely, 'Could you do better?' I said I would try; and 'Rory O'More' was the answer."

Its popularity was immediate and extensive, so much so that on the day of Queen Victoria's Coronation every band along the line of procession to Westminster Abbey played "Rory O'More" during some part of the day; and, finally, it was the air the band of the Life Guards played as they escorted Her Majesty into the park on her return to Buckingham Palace. Being called upon to write a novel, Lover availed himself of the popularity attaching to the name, and entitled his story "Rory O'More." The success of the novel induced the management of the Adelphi theatre to apply to the author to dramatise the story, and in this, its third form, "Rory O'More" was again received by the public with such approbation that it was played over one hundred and eight nights in the first season in London, and afterwards universally throughout the kingdom. In this metamorphosis "Rory O'More" is surely unique among songs.

A very popular song is "Kathleen Mavourneen," which, looking at the words, may be considered as belonging essentially to Ireland. The words were written by an Irish lady, Mrs. Crawford, and the song was first heard by a Plymouth audience. The melody was written by F. N. Crouch, under circumstances which he has himself related.

"The words," says Crouch, "had attracted my attention by their purity of style of diction. I sought the authoress and obtained her permission to set them to music. Leaving London as traveller to Chapman & Co., Cornhill, while prosecuting my journey towards Saltash, I jotted down the melody on the historic banks of the Tamar. On arriving at Plymouth I wrote out a fair copy of the song, and sang it to Mrs. Rowe, the wife of a music publisher of that town. The melody so captivated her and others who heard it that I was earnestly solicited that it should be given the first time in public at her husband's opening concert of the season. But certain reasons obliged me to decline the honor. I retired to rest at my hotel, and rising next morning, and opening my window, what was my surprise to see on a boarding opposite a large placard, on which was printed in the largest and boldest type: 'F. Nicholls Crouch, from London, will sing at P. E. Rowe's concert "Kathleen Mavourneen," for one night only.'"

Crouch goes on to say that, amazed and confused by the announcement, he hurriedly completed his toilet, took his breakfast, and rushed off to Mr. Rowe's warehouse. "But despite my reluctance, and overcome by the entreaties of the fascinating Mrs. Rowe, I appeared, and sang the song to a crowded audience, with the most enthusiastic applause." Shortly after this Crouch was engaged by the London music-publishing firm of D'Almaine, and "Kathleen Mavourneen" was issued by that house. The copyright of the song was sold not so long ago for £600. How much do you think Crouch got for it? Only the paltry sum of £10, identically the same price paid to Milton for his "Paradise Lost." And yet the first year saw 20,000 copies sold. In fifteen years the number reached over half a million. "Kathleen Mavourneen" was translated into several languages. Publishers issued it in every conceivable form, and embodied it in every collection of popular songs. For publishers it brought in thousands of pounds, but to the poor composer it never brought a penny beyond the original £10!

The story of Crouch's career was, indeed, as sad as it was romantic. Whilst a child he played the violin before Rossini, and sang in the choir of Westminster Abbey. He was in the choir at Queen Victoria's Coronation. Later on he turned to speculating in zinc mills in the county of Kent. This affair ruined him completely. In 1849 he went to the United States, and picked up a precarious living as a music teacher. The gold fever seized him and he set off for California. Presently he was serving as a volunteer in the long Civil War. Later still he became a gardener, and for twenty years he had a hard struggle with poverty.

At length the tide turned—for a time—and in 1883 a petition was filed by a person calling himself James Marion, praying for permission to change his name from Marion to Crouch, as he had attached himself to the family of the hapless composer, and thought that by adopting his name he could serve his interests better. The benefits arising from this connection cannot, however, have been of a very substantial nature, for reports of Crouch's distressed circumstances were continually being circulated in England for years before his death in 1896.

A touching anecdote may fittingly close this history of a famous song. When the late Mlle. Titiens, of ballad concert fame, was in New York, I think in 1876, she sang "Kathleen Mavourneen" as an encore. The song excited a furore of applause, and when the enthusiasm had subsided the singer was told that a man, presumed to be a lunatic, was fighting his way over the barriers from the pit to the stage (it was in the opera house), saying he was determined to see Titiens. The prima donna told the parties to let him come in. On entering the man burst into tears, sobbing out: "Oh, Mlle. Titiens, I never before heard my song sung as you have just sung it!" "Your song!" was the astonished reply. "Why, you are not Crouch, surely?" "I am indeed," rejoined the poor old composer, "and I felt I must thank you myself." He had scraped together a dollar for a pit seat, little thinking to hear his own "Kathleen Mavourneen" made the most thrilling morceau of the evening.

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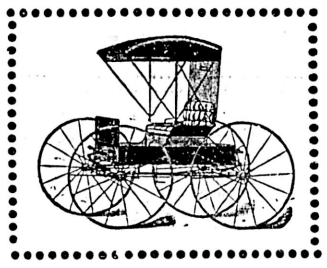

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